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### **News Briefs**

### Staff college slated for October

Knoxville, Tenn. - The location and dates for the 1995 Southeast Region Staff College have been set for October 1-6.

The college will be held at the J.G. Brown Air National Guard Professional Military Education Center at McGhee Tyson Air Base in Knoxville,, according to Col. Richard L. Bowling, SER com-

The center is in the last stages of a \$30 million building program. "The staff and facilities are outstanding," according to Lt. Col. Russell A. Schmidt, deputy chief of staff for senior Programs. "The PMEC is certified by the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges. Similar courses for employees of commercial enterprises are worth hundreds of dollars."

Billeting and dining are provided on the base at nominal cost. A library, exercise room and base exchange are also available.

Applicants for student and staff positions should submit a CAP Form 17 through approved channels. A \$50 fee (check or money order) should accompany student applications.

### EAA salutes air racing at Oshkosh

OSHKOSH, Wis. - The top airplanes, replicas and personalities of air racing's most exciting and popular era will be saluted at this year's Experimental Aircraft Association Fly-In Convention, which will be held July 27-Aug. 2 at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh, Wis.

The "Return to the Golden Age of Air Racing" salutes the era between 1927 and 1939, when air racing was one of America's most popular spectator sports. Major corporations backed flying teams in heated competition for fame, fortune and world speed records. Many innovations developed in the search for speed and championships late became primary components of World War II military aircraft, as well as private air-

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# We will survive, flourish!'

### CAP leadership continues fight in Washington for funding

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program to the country ...

James F. Tynan Editor

Civil Air Patrol's fiscal 1996 budget request of \$27 million remains in jeopardy after a month of intensive political jockeying at the highest levels of government.

Although the House of Representatives recently approved CAP's requested \$27 million funding for fiscal 1996, the Senate Armed Services Committee did not. The committee recommended an 18.5 percent

reduction in CAP's budget - slashing it to \$22 million - in line with a recommendation from the Senate Armed Services Readiness Subcommittee chaired by Sen. John McCain (R-AZ).

Because there is a difference in the two proposals, a resolution must now be agreed upon by the House-Senate Confer-

ence Committee, a group made up of members from both the SASC and the House National Security Committee. The decision is expected to be made by the committee in late August or September.

CAP officials are hoping that the House-Senate committee will at least agree to a substitute proposal that would cut the budget by only 10 percent. This plan would move the conversion of CAP's U.S. Air Force liaison officers from fiscal 1997 to fiscal 1996. This action replaces an active-duty LO force to a retired structure and would save CAP and the Department of Defense about \$2.7 million with little negative impact on CAP's operational funding.

The only impact of this proposal would be the early

departure of LOs who have already been approved. "This plan would serve Senator McCain's press release goals of reducing CAP 'overhead' and impose a reasonable reduction in overall CAP funding," General Anderson said. "And our legislative liaison people are already working this issue with key members from both the House and Senate committees.

The proposed SASC reduction is in response to "funding shortfalls" which are having a negative impact on the readiness of U.S. military forces. "It is only

the dramatic reductions in the defense budget over the past 10 years which have caused me to question many of the programs which receive funding from the Defense Department," explained Senator McCain.

Contrary to one of Senator McCain's earlier press releases, he has once again outlined his intention to "gradually phase out the remainder

of the DOD's CAP budget over a period of years."

General Anderson is asking CAP members to continue the grassroots letter-writing campaign. "I ask each and every CAP member to redouble their efforts at contacting both their House and Senate representatives to inform them of the value of this volunteer program to the country - and the danger inherent in the Senate reduction. The bottom-line message — the cut in CAP's operating funding will endanger CAP emergency services, cadet programs and aerospace education. The substitute reduction proposal works for everyone," stated the general.

'We will prevail, survive and flourish in this

struggle," said General Anderson.

**CAP National Commander** 

Brig. Gen. Richard L. Anderson

### **Presidential** visit



President Bill Clinton and members of his staff meet with the Colorado Wing cadets and senior members who supported his May visit to the Air Force Academy and Peterson AFB, Colo. The CAP members assisted the White House staff, Secret Service and Peterson AFB Security Police with the president's security arrangements. In addition to directing traffic, and controlling access to designated DV areas, the cadets had a chance to meet with the commander in chief up close. See story on Page 2.

# **CAP's 1995** board plans fall into place

"I love it when a plan comes together!" said Don Rowland of Civil Air Patrol's Plans and Requirements Directorate.

The plan Mr. Rowland was describing is the August 1995 National Board meeting that will be held at the Sheraton Washington Hotel in Washington, D.C., Aug 17-19.

This national board is the first of a five-year plan to increase attendance, reduce the member's costs, and maintain attractive mini-vacation locations," said Mr. Rowland. "We are going to put fun and value back into our meetings. In fact, details about all of the new director's goals for CAP will be discussed Aug. 18 at the staff update briefing during the General Assembly."

The plan's first step is to make the program of value to the membership., according to Mr. Rowland. "The number one reason people attend conferences is to listen to experts in their field.

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# **Colorado Wing personnel** support Presidential visit

1Lt. Sandra Alexa Public Affairs Officer Colorado Advocacy Flight

Colorado Wing cadets were privileged to assist in maintaining security for President Clinton's visit to Colorado Springs as the commencement speaker for the U.S. Air Force Academy graduation May 31.

After the graduation ceremonies, President Clinton flew from the academy to Peterson AFB, Colo., where he addressed an audience comprised of military members, their dependents and

media representatives. At this gathering, 19 cadets and four senior members from Colorado Wing Group 3 squadrons assisted with the security efforts by providing crowd control and direction, as well as access and security for the designated DV area.

Cadets from the Colorado Springs Cadet Squadron and the Air Force Academy Composite Squadron were selected for the detail coordinated by the Group 3 commander, Maj. Dave Caraway, and the Colorado CAP Advocacy Flight.

Upon arrival at Peterson AFB, cadets assembled in formation and received a briefing from the Secret Service, White House staff and Peterson AFB Security

The detail was then divided into Detail A and B. Detail A aided the Secret Service and White House staff in maintaining the DV section and the inner area where the president was located. Detail B worked with the Peterson AFB Security Police to maintain outer perimeter security. The cadets directed attendees - numbering in the thousands to magnetometers used for searches prior to their being able to enter the area where President Clinton spoke.

Despite the rain and hail which forced the president's address to be cut short, President Clinton spent time greeting members of the crowd. At that time, all members of the CAP presidential detail were summoned to the flightline by the Secret Service where President Clinton, along with Colorado Gov. Roy Romer, personally met and shook hands with each member of the detail.

"I spent more than 20 years as an active duty NCO in the U.S. Army and never even got a glimpse of a U.S. president. As a CAP member, I actually got to meet him," said Major Caraway.

Each member of the detail also received a Peacekeepers Award form the 21st Space Wing for their professionalism and military bearing.

### Former CAP member rescued



Capt. Scott F. O'Grady, fighter pilot and former Washington CAP cadet, raises his arm in victory after returning to Aviano AB, Italy. Lt. Gen. Michael E. Ryan (right), commander of the Allied Air Forces Southern Europe and also a former CAP cadet, escorted Captain O'Grady from the U.S.S. Kearsarge where he was taken after his rescue. O'Grady was shot down in his F-16 Fighting Falcon June 21 after being hit by a Serb missile in Bosnia. He survived for six days before

### CAP participates in VP fatherhood initiative

Promoting responsible fatherhood as a national priority is one of Vice Presi-

dent Al Gore's initiatives to strengthen families and America.

The objective of the initiative is to promote responsible fatherhood as a national priority — one child and one neighborhood at a time. Several youth organizations have initiated programs of their own in support of the vice president's initiative.

Civil Air Patrol National Headquarters' Director of Personnel, Renova W. Williams, received a White House invitation to participate in the most recent meeting June 26.

Ms. Williams was nominated by the Casey Foundation of Baltimore, Md. She came to the attention of the foundation through her work with the National

Assembly's Collaboration for Youth's

Child Sexual Abuse Task Force.

The summit was held in Washington, D.C., and was attended by more than 80 national leaders associated with youth and public service organizations.

During the introductions, Ms. Williams met several state and national organization leaders who had been CAP cadets. According to Ms. Williams, they attributed their success in life to CAP.

CAP's success in encouraging young men and women as future leaders for the Air Force and America by providing a safe nurturing environment and promoting responsible behavior was cited by the foundation as the reason for including CAP in the most recent summit to promote responsible fatherhood.

### 4-in-1 video now available

A new video cassette with four different programs is now available through the Civil Air Patrol Book-

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Johnson Flight Encampment -An overview of the three segments of this dynamic flight encampment, balloons, gliders, and powered flight. Includes actual flight footage. Great for all ages. (28:07 minutes.)

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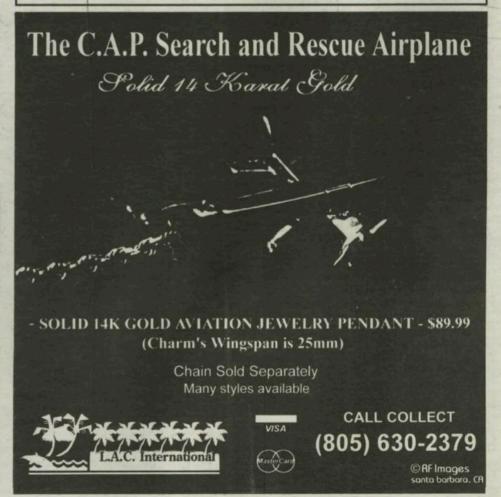


Al Gore

# The Quality Philosophy

"The attitudes of 40 years of Cold War and business as usual are recipes for failure in the years ahead. Downsizing, reduced budgets and a new world order that's been described as long on new world and short on order, demand we change the way we do business. Quality is not just desirable — it is essential. To be successful, we must continue to educate ourselves and our people, and adapt our organizational culture."

Secretary of the Air Force Sheila Widnall



# Inland Empire Group 18, California Wing host 'joint' exercise

1Lt. Wendy Glassman Public Affairs Officer Long Beach Group 7, Calif. Wing

Two earthquakes, one 9.0 and one 8.5 on the Richter Scale, devastated Southern California on a sunny Friday afternoon. Thus began a rigorous, two-day disaster relief exercise hosted by the Inland Empire Group 18 in conjunction with the California Wing.

In light of recent disasters, this crucial exercise was planned to bring together those organizations which must work closely together in the event of a real disaster

"We couldn't have been more pleased with the turnout," said Lt. Col. Fred Nelson, com-mander of Group 18 and project officer/base commander for this exercise. "A con-

siderable number of squadrons from Southern California were represented. We even had a crew fly in from Northern California to participate.'

Working out of a hangar without electricity, telephone service or water, more than 125 CAP members worked with local disaster relief officials such as the city of Office of Emergency Services, Hemet, Calif.; American Red Cross, Riverside County Chapter; Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; San Jacinto, Calif., fire, police, and school districts; and the local chapter of RACES (a volunteer organization of FCClicensed radio operators equipped with a mobile emergency communications trailer).

More than 80 simulated tasks were performed by CAP members during the exercise. The tasks included sorties flown to assess damage caused by the earthquakes; ground teams dis-

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Exercise Project Officer Lt. Col. Fred Nelson

various outside agencies is crucial to our

safety hazards; and emergency

medical crews attending to the

pick up a case containing emer-

gency blood supplies. The Red

Cross had hidden 2 eggs in the

blood containers to test the

The Red Cross asked CAP to

"injured" personnel.

smooth functioning.

crew's ability to properly handle the blood during transport. Pilot Capt. "D" Fringer, Group 18 deputy commander, and Capt. Don Johnson, Group 18 director of communications, brought the shipment in with both eggs unbroken.

To add realism to the event, the second earthquake caused the complete destruction of the mission base of operations. "The relocation to a cramped, makeshift facility occurred without incident," said Lt. Col. Joe Orchard, Bear Valley Composite Squadron commander and the exercise's mission coordinator. When Colonel Orchard became

> "severely injured" during the exercise, his duties were "very capably" assumed by Lt. Col. Joe Bradley, San Diego County Group 3 commander, and Derrell

patched to survey major public Lipman, Cadet Programs officer of Clover Field Composite Squadron 51.

> The wing's public affairs personnel were also tested. Lt. Col. William F. Cowman, director of Public Affairs for the California Wing, and 1Lt. Wendy Glassman responded to numer-



"Rescue workers" rush an earthquake victim to medical aid during a disaster relief exercise in California. The two-day event was hosted by California Wing's Inland Empire Group 18 and involved numerous state, regional and local relief agencies.

ous TV, radio and print reporters at the scene.

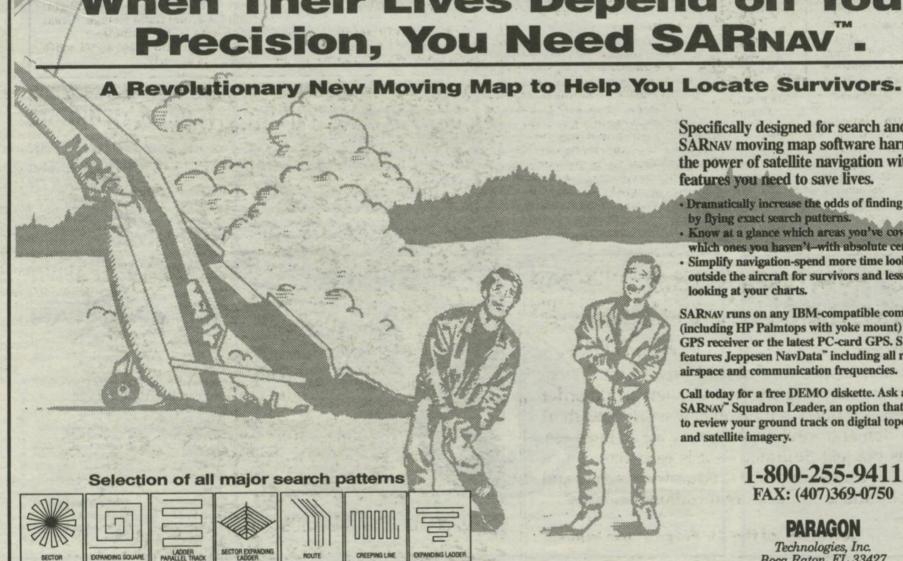
All who attended the exercise were pleased with the level of cohesiveness and realism. Dave Putnam, of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, said that the performance of the Civil Air Patrol in this exercise was exemplary. "This was evidenced in the way operations continued despite the loss of the command center in a simulated collapse. These guys just picked up and started somewhere else"

Maureen Schenk, supervisor

of the Disaster Action Teams for the American Red Cross Riverside County Chapter, said "Overall, things went very well. It's nice to know there are organizations such as the Civil Air Patrol to work with when faced with such a disaster.

"The cooperation between ourselves and various outside agencies is crucial to our smooth functioning," said Project Officer Lt. Col. Fred Nelson. "This networking during simulated events needs to be done on an annual basis to ensure contacts with these organizations.'





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# South Carolina Wing IMA wins top AU award

Maj. Dean Habrun, CAP-U.S. Air Force's individual mobilization augmentee to the South Carolina liaison office, has been selected as the Air University 1994 Outstanding IMA Officer of the Year.

Maj. Gen. Jacques P. Klein, mobilization assistant to the commander of Air University, presented the award to Major Habrun during a recent ceremony at

Maxwell AFB, Ala.

Major Habrun's contributions to the CAP program include the formation of a cadet color guard and rifle drill unit at the Greenville Composite Squadron. He also teaches flying, land navigation, survival, first aid and moral leadership.

He is responsible for South Carolina's 47 percent growth in cadet membership, a boost in squadron attendance of nearly 60 percent and rasing cadet performance to an exceptional standard.

Under Major Habrun's guidance, two cadets won academy appointments in 1994 and another secured an ROTC scholarship. Major Habrun also helped five cadets enlist in the Air Force and two others enlist in the Marine Corps. He is currently helping three CAP cadets apply for admission to the Air Force Academy and for ROTC scholarships in 1995.

Major Habrun has been the officer in charge for the South Carolina State cadet competition for the past nine years.

Major Habrun's contributions did not stop with the cadet program. He also trains and evaluates senior CAP members for search and rescue missions,



Maj. Gen. Jacques P. Klein, left, mobilization assistant to the Air University commander at Maxwell AFB, Ala., presents Maj. Dean Habrun, a CAP-U.S. Air Force individual mobilization augmentee and South Carolina Wing liaison officer, right, with a special plaque for his selection as the 1994 Air Force Outstanding IMA officer of the year. TSgt. Herbert M. Junkin, center, Air University's outstanding IMA NCO of the year winner looks on.

participates at monthly wing commander's calls, plans ROTC cadet flying activities and coordinates counterdrug flights. He also manages the administrative duties for Reservists attached to the South Carolina Wing and represents the Air Force Academy, ROTC and CAP at 18 middle schools.

For the past four years, Major Habrun has directed the National Cadet Pararescue Orientation Course at Kirtland AFB, N.M. He selects staff, develops curriculum, coordinates base support and ensures safety for cadets participating in the training.

Major Habrun, 42, hails from Canton, Ohio. He joined the Air Force in February 1972. While intechnical school, he earned an appointment to the Air Force Academy. He graduated in 1978 as a distinguished graduate and an outstanding cadet in national securities studies.

He trained as a T-37 pilot at Vance AFB, Okla., and as a C-130 pilot at Dyess AFB, Texas. He served as an instructor pilot for both aircraft.

In 1984, his second year at Dyess

AFB, Texas, Major Habrun was selected junior officer of the year. In 1985, Major Habrun accepted a reserve commission and began serving as both a liaison of ficer for CAP-U.S. Air Force and the Air Force Academy.

In addition to the CAP-U.S. Air Forchonor, Major Habrun was named the Air Education and Training Command' IMA Officer of the Year in 1994.

Major Habrun is employed a Michelin Tire Corporation nea Greenville, S.C., where he works as th process development and engineerin manager.

Major Habrun and his wife, Katherin Alice, have three children and live nea Greenville. His oldest son is a CAl cadet.

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# Colonel Jones assumes command of Washington Wing

Washington Wing — In a brief ceremony at the Washington Wing Spring Conference in May, Col. Douglas L. Jones became the 22nd commander of the Washington Wing.

Colonel Jones joined CAP in 1983 in the California Wing where he served in several staff positions in both Squadron 150 and Group 7.

In 1987, the colonel transferred to the Washington Wing's Bellingham Composite Squadron where he served a tour a squadron commander.

Prior to becoming wing commander, Colonel Jones served in several staff positions in the Washington Wing, including: vice commander, inspector, director of finance, and Class A encampment commander.

Colonel Jones holds a master observer

aeronautical rating including mission coordinator. The colonel also serves as a counterdrug mission coordinator and aircrew member.

The colonel has completed all five levels of the CAP senior member training program graduating form Pacific Region Staff College in 1985 and the U.S. Air Force Air Command and Staff College in 1992.

Some of the many awards and decorations held by Colonel Jones are the Commander's Commendation Award, Lifesaving Award, Gill Robb Wilson Award with bronze star, Paul E. Garber Award, the Grover Loening Aerospace Award, Leadership Award with two silver stars, Membership Award, Aerospace Education Achievement Award, Red Service Ribbon with two bronze

clasps, Search Find Ribbon, Air Search and Rescue Ribbon, Counter Drug Ribbon with three bronze clasps.

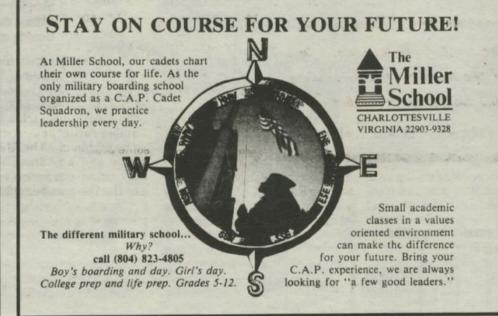
The colonel is the recipient of a Letter of Commendation for Logistics Management from the California Wing, and in 1992, the colonel was recognized by the Washington Air Force Association as the outstanding CAP Senior Member of the Year.

Colonel Jones served in the U.S. Air Force form 1956 to 1962. In 1993, he retired from a 31-year career as an industrial real estate development executive and is presently employed as a U.S. Customs officer.

The colonel is married to the former Treasa Patton Rich, a CAP major and squadron commander. The couple has a son and daughter and one grandchild.



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youth; accomplishing local,
state and national missions;
and educating our citizens
to ensure air and space
supremacy."



# Your contributions are selfless, enduring'

s you know, Civil Air Patrol has been engaged for many weeks in an intense effort to retain our federal appropriation that has been the fiscal lifeblood that underwrites our missions for America and your call to volunteer public service.

In an effort to speak directly to Senator John McCain (R-AZ), who chairs the Senate subcommittee considering our appropriation request and has not met with CAP officials, I sent the letter that follows to every daily and weekly newspaper in the state of Arizona. My intention: That your message be conveyed to him by his media watchers when it appears in multiple periodicals across his home

The bottom line: Your contributions, as stated in the title of this article, are selfless ... and enduring. You serve America with great distinction, and I will go anywhere, anytime to tell anyone the story of you selfless heroics. In my recent travels, I've journeyed to the Great Lakes Region Conference, the Middle East Region Conference, and a dozen other activities. At all, I've observed the quiet heroes of CAP whose contributions are selfless ... and enduring

One lesson is clear: CAP must maintain a high-profile presence on Capitol Hill. Our National Legislative Committee under the able coordination of Col. Thomas A. Handley, CAP Corporate legal counsel, has done outstanding work in laying the foundation in previous years. But our recent experience teaches is that all members everywhere must actively educate pubic officials on the immense value of CAP to America. I've done my level best to do so, and I've been joined

enthusiastically by your national vice Commander, Col Paul M. Bergman, and your national chief of staff, Col. James

In previous years, we have heard calls in our own ranks for curbing our activity on Capitol Hill. The premise? That by living by Congressional support, CAP can die by Congressional support. The lesson we've learned: That we must enlarge our presence in Washington to further solidify our Congressional support. To do less would forsake the trust you've place in your Congressional leadfied CAP as a "nondefense and lowerpriority military program" whose "primary mission ... is to search for and rescue the victims of civilian plane crashes" - and with much "overhead' that "burdens ... an already inadequate military budget."

These assumptions are incorrect. And

here's why.

CAP is a priority defense program activated in 1941 to bolster Army Air Corps readiness in World War II. CAP destroyed Nazi submarines off the U.S. coast and performed many other wartime readiness missions that earned 800

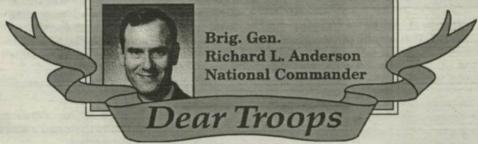
federal statue, it is Emergency Services (or ES, a small part of which is SAR), Cadet Programs, and Aerospace Education (AE). It's the law of the land.

Our ES mission directly impacts Air Force readiness because we render aid and assistance to the Air Force and other federal agencies. CAP consists of an allvolunteer force of 51,000 members in 1700 squadrons spanning America ready at a moment's notice to perform critical emergency missions for the Air Force and thousands of American communities, which directly impacts Air Force readiness.

Cadet Programs is critical to readiness because we train thousands of members who later become senior leaders of the Air Force. A full 10% of each Air Force Academy class consists of CAP cadets. When Air Force Lt. Gen. Michael Ryan greeted Capt. Scott O'Grady after his escape from Bosnia, America and the world witnessed the greeting of two men who share a common bond: Both were CAP cadets as teenagers.

Our equally important AE mission educates the American public on the vital necessity for military readiness as a critical element of national power. CAP is the only Air Force presence in thousands of American communities. We carry the Air Force banner. And our AE mission nurtures public understanding and support for readiness programs.

The assertion about excessive "overhead" is inaccurate. Our staffing costs insure that our 51,000 members are trained and ready to support Air Force readiness. And the costs to keep Air Force members in our ranks is critical to mission effectiveness — and Air Force readiness because our Air Force partners labor at our sides. We are family.



To all of you who joined the fight for our fiscal 1996 appropriation, thank you for being footsoldiers in a worthy and lasting cause. Your contributions are selfless and enduring. You are frontline heroes for whom I have the highest re-

### Letter to Arizona media Dear Editor:

As National Commander of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) - the Auxiliary of the United States Air Force - I am writing to correct the public record regarding Senator John McCain's proposal to reduce funding our organization. In a well-intentioned effort to improve the readiness of U.S. forces, Senator McCain's staff has mistakenly identiAir Medals for our aircrewmen from a grateful nation.

In 1995, CAP continues as a priority defense program performing critical mission as one of the Air Force's four components: Active Duty, Air National Guard. Air Force Reserve, and Air Force Auxiliary (CAP) forces. All four combine to form a unified Air Force. To weaken one is to weaken all. We join our Air Force brothers and sisters in maintaining the readiness of U.S. forces by shouldering

with U.S. insignia on the lapels. Contrary to the assertion of Sen. McCain's staff, search and rescue (or SAR) is not our primary mission. By

many noncombat missions of the Air

Force. And in the process, we take an

oath and wear the Air Force uniform

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### Board... from Page 1

The second reason is to network. This year, we have the most prominent speakers in the last 10 years of national boards. We cover the range from Congress to high-ranking Air Force officials," said Mr. Rowlands.

"Without a doubt, the attendees at this year's National Board will have the opportunity to listen to top-level experts on ser-

vice to our country," said CAP Executive Director Col. Paul J. Albano Sr. "We shortened the seminar time periods this year and expanded the number of seminars so that more

options would be available. Everyone will now be able to attend several different semi-

Networking time has also been increased with the addition of another no-host evening reception Aug. 18.

An added dimension to this year's program is the town meeting sponsored by the national commander. "The ground rules will be simple," said CAP National Commander Brig. Gen. Richard L. Anderson. "One Richard L. Anderson. question without a follow-up and questions can only come from the open membership rather than national board members. I want to encourage open discussion and I hope ev-

eryone will attend."

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CAP Executive Director Col. Paul J. Albano Sr.

The town meeting will be held Aug. 18 from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the in the Sheraton ballroom.

So where do people start having fun? Right in Washington, D.C. The hotel is in the heart of our America's capitol. People will be able to visit all of the national museums for the cost of a subway ticket (about \$1.25 each direction).

The Sheraton Hotel is conveniently located on the Red Line of the Washington, D.C., METRO, at the Woodley Park Zoo stop. The METRO provides safe and frequent transportation to all areas of interest. Bring the family. They will find plenty of entertainment during the day while you are attending the functions. Tours can be

purchased at the hotel concierge desk. The Trolley Tour is one of the highest rated by visi-

The Saturday evening banquet should be the highlight

of the board meeting, according to Mr. Rowland. "Yes, people will still find chicken on their plate unless they order the vegetarian plate, but the difference this year will be the guest speaker and the entertainment. We will have a dance this year so there's still time to practice those dance steps," he said.

There is still time to make

reservations for the board meeting and airlift is expected to be plentiful. For more details about pickup points across the country, interested individuals may contact their wing project offic-

The following is the most current meeting information:

Lodging: The Sheraton Washington fax number was not provided on the registration form. You may fax your reservation request to (202) 387-5397. Cutoff date for the rate guarantee is July 17.

Transportation:

Commercial — Delta Airlines is offering an additional 5 percent off the lowest fare available. For these fares, call Delta Airlines at 1-800-241-6108 and ask for file number Q2051. Some people may have tried this file number earlier and experienced some problems. The file is now active and any travel agency may ticket your travel if they use the file number Q2051.

Airlift - All airlift requests have been supported. As in previous years, members using airlift must register for the entire event (registration and banquet). This requirement will be included in the group leader's instructions.

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If you are flying a corporate or private aircraft to the meeting, you may want to consider the Gaithersburg-Montgomery County Airport. Identifier: KGAI. It is approximately three miles from the airport to the Shady Grove stop on the Washington, D.C., METRO. Take the Red Line to the Woodley Park-Zoo stop. The hotel is located at that stop.

Guest Speakers: Although all speakers are not confirmed, early contacts appear promising. Senator Harkin, D-KS, and Congressman Skelton, D-MO, have indicated their desire to speak, provided their schedules can be arranged.

Updates will be publicized regularly. General Boles, the new Air Education and Training Command commander and Lt. Gen. Jay Kelly, Air University commander, will attend. Their itineraries are currently Mr. Brian being worked. Sharratt will address the General Assembly Aug. 18.

Entertainment: The Air Force Ceremonial Band will open the General Assembly Aug. 18 with a selection of military marches. The band's "High Flight" combo will provide entertainment during the banquet and dance music after the meal.

# 'Come and join the chaplains at this year's board meeting'

ivil Air Patrol's 1995 National Board Meeting in Washington, D.C., promises to be an exiting time as the corporation sets goals for the 1995-1996 year and beyond. Invite all of the CAP members to be a part of this time together.

On behalf of the 700-plus CAP chaplains, I invite you to come and join the chaplains during the national board meeting and to the specific activities and worship services representing the various faith groups.

The National Chaplain Committee will meet Aug.

17 1:30 p.m. for its annual meeting. The agenda is currently being set and all 15 members of this group will gather together to administer the chaplain program and set policy. Wing chaplains are encouraged to attend this meeting, but will not be able to vote.

The National Board Prayer Breakfast will be held Aug. 18 7 a.m. Last year, more than 100 people attended this inspirational time together.

From The Top

Chaplain (Col.) David R. VanHorn Chief of Chaplains

This year, Air Force Chaplain (Col.) Lorraine Potter will be our breakfast speaker. Chaplain Potter is the executive of the Armed Forces Chaplain's Board located in Washington, D.C. Chaplain Potter is also the current president of the Military Chaplains' Association.

Chaplain Potter is a dynamic preacher and speaker, and I encourage everyone to join us for the prayer breakfast.

The chaplains at the national board meeting will be invited to the U.S. Air Force Chief of Chaplains Luncheon at noon Aug. 18. Chaplain (Brig. Gen.) Arthur S. "Sam" Thomas, who will be the new Air Force chief of chaplains this month will be with us and will share with those present some thoughts about the chaplaincy.

During the Chaplain's seminar time, Air Force Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Wayne Perry, the CAP-U.S. Air Force national director of chaplains, and address some legal issues from other staff members.

I also encourage all chaplains to participate in as many activities as possible during this year's board meeting.

As I am writing this article, the last of

the regional chaplain staff colleges is in session. This year's RCSCs have be uplifting and inspirational in every region. The attendance is up by at least 10 to 20 percent at all events.

I have been privileged to meet and greet more than 150 chaplains and other senior members in attendance. Also, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Murdoch, the CAP deputy chief of chaplains, met with 100 at the three RCSCs he attended this

The new CAPP-221, the CAP Chaplain Course, is out and available for chaplains and others. I encourage all chaplains to obtain, read, study and then take the test. A new certificate will be awarded for successful completion.

I wish for everyone traveling to the 1995 National Board Meeting in Washington, D.C., a safe travel to and from the event. I look forward to meeting you

# Commander...

from Page 5

We are one.

Lastly, CAP in no way "burdens" the military budget. Our volunteer members are a bargain by the measure of any yardstick ... contributing day in and day out across America ... without pay or compensation ... they are truly volunteer "minutemen of the Air." When CAP performs Missions for America, we fly our aircraft at a cost of \$70 per hour, compared to \$1,600 to \$2200 for military aircraft. In

the words of Secretary of Defense William J. Perry, "every dollar we save by doing business better is a dollar that can go to better supporting our men and women in uniform.

To defund CAP, move it from the Air Force home it has occupied for a half-century, and transfer its responsibilities to the states is a defacto unfunded mandate. Further, this proposal will quash the volunteer spirit of America's Air Force Auxiliary .. and extinguish the thousand points of light so brilliantly articulated by President George Bush.

CAP is, without question, a valued component of the Air Force structure. We shoulder critical Air Force missions at bargain-basement prices, contributing to military readiness, sometimes at a personal risk to our aircrewmen. Over the last year, I have looked into the faces of spouses, family, and friends of a half-dozen CAP heroes who,

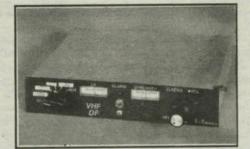
attired in Air Force uniform, lived by their oaths and died for their nation.

I hope this explanation corrects the recent dialogue about CAP's value to our country and our contribution to Air Force readiness. In recent weeks, I and my staff have met with Air Force Chief of Staff General Ronald R. Fogleman and Air Force Secretary Sheila E. Widnall to explore ways to enhance Air Force support to CAP and to broaden the missions we perform for the Air Force. This dialogue with the Air Force's top leadership is the first of many such meetings. America's Air Force Auxiliary now plans to put this funding matter behind us and move toward broader service to America.

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# Assistant mission coordinator appreciates AFRCC's efforts

I was the assistant mission coordinator for the search and rescue mission of Feb. 3-5, and the pilot of the aircraft that first made contact with the search target.

I regret the article published in the Civil Air Patrol News did not give full credit to the truly outstanding work done by Capt. Patricia Powers, of the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center at Langley AFB, Va., and her team that weekend.

I cannot justify or give reason for this glaring omission, I can only speculate the authors of the article tried to limit content due to space restrictions and, since the Civil Air Patrol News is a CAP publication directed toward CAP members, the authors decided to focus on the CAP aspects of the search.

I would, however, like to clarify some portions of your letter. To begin with, I want to assure you we were all very appreciative of your hard work and spectacular performance. I was truly amazed at the diligent detective work that went into identifying the aircraft track from the meager data available to you.

On the several occasions I had to be interviewed by Louisville, Ky., TV and newspapers, I was always careful to describe the valuable information provided by AFRCC and insisted our efforts would have been impossible without the magic your team per-

Secondly, the NTAP information you gave us on Saturday afternoon was not wasted. As I reported to the AFRCC that day, the flight visibility was zero-zero. We

did have an aircraft up trying to get an ELT fix and to get a visual picture near the tower, but it was for nought. I also dispatched a ground team to the tower location shortly after you passed us the NTAP location. Unfortunately, the team didn't arrive until after sunset, and the wreckage was impossible to see, especially, as it turned out later, that the largest and only unidentifiable piece was inside the locked perimeter fence and already



covered with snow.

The next day, several aircraft overflew the area, all without sighting the target. Adding to this was the fact that the aircraft had disappeared from radar between the Rough River Airport area and the tower. There was no reason to believe it had not popped up only for a moment before descending below radar coverage again and continuing on its way.

Early Sunday afternoon I concluded that an airplane flying that low in that weather must have been seen by someone. I directed ground teams to start interviewing possible witnesses (an action I should have taken the previous

Shortly thereafter, I took an aircraft to the Mintonville area. Lt. Jim Goatley, a policeman, had

the presence of mind to start calling "911" desks in the area. His effort led to a report of lights and an airborne explosion near the tower. He then called the tower custodian and asked him to look around his tower.

Operations relayed to me the tower custodian reported one of the tower's guy wires was slack and there was a large piece of metal on the ground, possibly a wing. I proceeded directly to the tower and, as I dropped below the cloud deck, I found out why no one had seen the wreck before. The largest piece was about two-thirds of a wing, lying on the ground, covered by snow next to a plywood sheet bin. The rest of the aircraft was detectable only by its effect on the terrain-leaving a large blackened area and fallen trees that was also covered with fresh fallen

I directed a ground team to the wreckage, but it was initially even more difficult for them to see anything—they didn't have the height or perspective of color gradation that I had. When they finally contacted the wreckage they found the remainder of the aircraft in very small pieces among the trees on a heavily wooded hill.

I hope this fills out the article. Again - my most sincere apologies if the authors, anyone in the Kentucky Wing or CAP left you with the impression we did not appreciate your effort or that we would have ever found the aircraft without your team's hard

When I visited the AFRCC while attending the National Search And Rescue School I learned we (CAP) sometimes leave you out of the loop when reporting the full results of a mission denying you full "closure" (the information in a 122 is woefully in-

I must note this response is my own and does not necessarily reflect the "official" response that will be given by the Kentucky Wing. It is, however, the truth and reflects the sentiment of everyone who worked this mission.

Semper vigilans.

Maj. Christopher Mayer, Commander, Group 2 Kentucky Wing

### Russian surplus NVGs may emit X radiation

I really enjoyed the article in the May issue on mission software and equipment for CAP search and rescue aircraft (Star Wars Comes to CAP Search and Rescue). Captain Wicker's efforts to open a dialogue on this issue is to be applauded. Unfortunately though, my purpose in writing is to warn CAP members against further use of the Russian night vision goggles mentioned in the ar-

I am a human factors engineer in the Crew Systems Branch at the Naval Air Warfare Center in Patuxent River, Md. I work in a section which specializes in developing and testing Navy and Marine Corps NVGs, cockpit lighting and avionics, and other equipment. Captain Wicker's suggestion rang alarm bells for several reasons. After making a quick call to a colleague, Air Force Col. William Berkley, at the Armstrong Aeromedical Labs, to discuss the issue, we both strongly warn all members to discontinue the use of Russian NVGs currently found on the U.S. Market due to the following reasons:

Some units of Russian NVGs currently found on the market have been found to emit dangerous levels of X radiation. I'll restate that: when you use them you potentially hold up to your head a unit which is emitting ion-

izing radiation into your body This potential alone should be enough to ban their use immediately

Russian NVGs are notorious for poor workmanship and image quality. They are just not worth the money and risk. We have several examples of different types here, but I regret that I can't discuss specific test data pending declassification of the equipment.

The FAA has never authorized the use of NVGs in general aviation, in any form, for any purpose. I realize Captain Wicker proposed their use by observers only, but to use them effectively in a general aviation cockpit, you would have to kill all of the cockpit lighting, thereby robbing the pilot of all situational awareness of fuel state, altitude, attitude, etc. This temptation is one reason why FAA has not approved their use.

Military aircraft and vehicle crew stations are specifically designed and are vigorously tested for NVG compatibility, but a C-172 (even in the new 1996 models) is not. It is an unjustifiable safety risk for any CAP missions to allow their use by untrained personnel, in unsuitable airframes.

### Maj. Jeff O'Hara **Maryland Wing**

Editor's note: It is in violation of CAP regulations to use night vision goggles - regardless of manufacturer or type - while flying in CAP aircraft or on CAP missions.

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First, a quick thank you to all who have called, written, e-mailed and hollered over the past two months. Your comments about the

newspaper - both positive and negative (yes, I stopped using my ID photo) - have been very much appreciated.

As I stated in my first column, I believe

keep the cards, letters and email coming in. In the mean- tions will be significant. time, I'll continue to produce a publication fitting for the CAP membership.

Everything has fallen into place (literally and figuratively) since I began working as your editor. As you will see from the byline on Page 11, you now have an assistant editor - Charlotte M. Crowe. She comes to the

ery Advertiser, Montgomery's major daily newspaper, with an extensive background in journalism - magazines and news-

Your Editor

James F. Tynan Editor, Civil Air Patrol News

this is your newspaper. So papers - and an abundance of talent. I expect her contribu-

> I hate to waste the column inches, but here's a quick reminder from last month - when possible, please try and send me your "copy" electronically. Obviously it saves a great deal of time and energy at this end.

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Speaking of making things easier. I have some good and bad news. The bad news is I'm still not able to get all of the copy being sent to me into the newspaper. The good news is that the newspaper will jump up to 24 pages in August and, for the most part, fix that problem. Hopefully it will be even larger after that!

See you in Washington ...



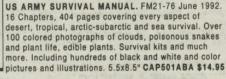
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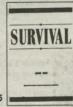
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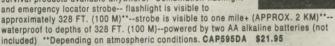
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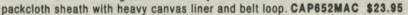
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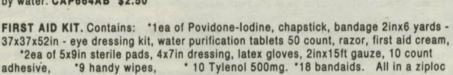
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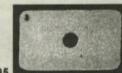
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# SO YOU'RE GOING ON YOUR FIRST ENCAMPMENT, EH?

# WELL HERE'S SOME TIPS TO PACK IN YOUR SUITCASE

o you're scheduled to go on your first encampment. Your bags are packed, and your ready to go. Your skin tingles with excitement, but your stomach quivers with that unsettled feeling. You know you want to be a cadet officer, and you know you have to go. On one hand, you're looking forward to the new experience; on the other, you're just a bit unsure of what you're in for.

Encampments may take place over successive weekends or may last as long as two weeks. This is the time for cadets and senior members to get a concentrated dose of CAP.

Because encampments can take place in a variety of settings, it's difficult to spell out exactly what to expect. For instance, you may be on your way to an Air Force, Army, reserve, guard base or armory, or perhaps your commander is really filled with a sense of

adventure and made arrangements at a state or national park.

You may find yourself roughin' it in a tent city in the middle of the wilderness, or sleeping in an open bay filled with rows and rows of beds. If you're truly lucky, and your commander has pulled some strings, you'll be reclining in a comfortably appointed Air Force dormitory.

f you're assigned to an Air Force base, the base commander may permit CAP cadets and members some privileges usually reserved for active or retired Air Force members. These may include purchasing items at the base exchange or the Air Force clothing store, taking in a movie or going for a swim. Sometimes encampment banquets are held at base service clubs. The Installation Project Officer will have all the goods on this. But chances are you'll be so busy that you won't have much free time.

Once you arrive at the encampment site, you'll report to your assigned position and/or flight. After all the scurry of the getting organized, you'll probably work up a hefty appetite. Don't fret, your commander wouldn't dare forget something as basic as this. Your food may come from a field kitchen or a caterer, restaurant, or other food service

provider. If you're assigned to an active military installation, you may be allowed to eat at the base dining facility.

After you're fed, you'll probably be gathered together and told what to expect for the next few days. But who can really be prepared for horns blasting revelry at 5 a.m.?

ncampments are designed to test the knowledge and skills you learned in CAP in practical situations. Encampments also offer the chance for CAP members to develop the leadership skills necessary

to succeed in aerospace occupations.

It's fair to say that encampment commanders have some leeway in organizing encampments. But at a minimum, a basic curriculum must be followed.

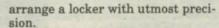
The course work will

include studies of the United States Air Force, its mission and structure, the USAF Basic Aerospace Doctrine Aerospace Power (civil and military aviation and national space programs), Role and Operation of a USAF Base. Courses covering Aerospace Facility and other Aerospace education activities will also be presented. Cadets will take an in-depth view of the organization and mission relationships between the Civil Air Patrol and the United States Air force. Topics such as Search and Rescue and Civil Defense will be discussed during encampment. Other courses include the Functions of the CAP Cadet Program and Moral Leadership.

Just when you think you couldn't learn anymore, the Civil Air Patrol factors in mandatory physical activity and some ambiguous electives. Be suspicious, but not overly so, this elective just might include an orientation flight.

If you can get through all of that, well, 80 percent according the regulation, and send in the right forms, you could be credited for 40 hours of curriculum.

adets are schooled in the efficient intricacies of military life, such as how to make a bed with hospital corners, to fold underwear into neat little squares, and to



Sometimes commanders team up to hold joint encampments. If this is the case, you'll be put through your paces not only with members of your own wing but also members of another wing. Of course, this only serves to intensify competition between squadrons and flights. So beware, your leader will expect his team to outperform the other guy's. Don't let him

down. Do your level best at everything you're asked to do.

No matter where you're assigned, remember, you are a guest and must obey military customs and courtesies at all times.

Hopefully, when all is said and done, you'll leave with a greater understanding of the CAP mission and CAP capabilities. Take what you've learned back to your squadron and



# LOOKING BACK ON THAT FIRST ENCAMPMENT

LT. COL. GERRY LEVESQUE

CURRICULUM DEVELOPER,

CADET PROGRAMS

My first encampment was some twenty plus years ago, but it made a such strong impression that I've attended every year I possibly could.

I'll never forget being sent away from home the first time. I was a two striper that was good at his home unit, but really unprepared. I walked in the door and saluted my flight commander, who then proceeded to educate me in the error of my ways.

By the end of the first week, I wanted to go home when my parents visited on family day. My

dad convinced me to stay.

The first week was all work, making beds with measurements to within fractions of an inch, handpolishing the floor, cleaning the latrine, marching, physical training, kitchen police, CQ (charge of quarters) duty and the 5 a.m. wake ups. It was a roller coaster ride of success and failure.

Inspections were relentless and getting everyone to work as a team seemed impossible. The little things like taking your boots off before entering the building to keep the floors clean and the five minute drills to get them back on and in formation—this was madness.

The second week things started coming together. There were fewer problems, everyone sang from the same sheet of music, and we were having fun.

I never could have imagined such a transition. Our uniforms looked

sharp, we marched, sang cadences in unison and were very proud and motivated

The most important lesson I learned was about teamwork. We discovered it requires sacrificing individual wants for the sake of the team. We also learned that everyone should recognize the need to work together.

We practiced and practiced those

fundamentals of military life—marching, inspections, customs and courtesies — until each

member of the team could competently complete the tasks. Throughout this adventure, we also learned about attention to detail and why it's so important.

Now as a senior member at cadet encampments, I emphasize the "Four C's" to cadets:

Communication: Every message requires a sender and receiver that must understand the message. That message should mean the same to everyone.

Candor: Be honest with yourself and others. Say exactly what you mean don't leave room for misinterpretation.

Courage: Be strong enough to do the right thing—the right way, no matter how difficult.

Commitment: If you decide to do something—then do it. Give the best of your self to the point where you know you did everything you could.

# Alabama cadets touch the clouds, meet Chuck Yeager

Stacey Scherl Staff Writer

"Our goal is to get a million boys and girls in the air," said Brig. Gen. Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager.

General Yeager made world history Oct. 14, 1947, when he

On June 10, General Yeager of being a CAP cadet, besides and the EAA came 31 Young Eagles closer to reaching their goal. Winners of the "Why I Want to Fly" essay contest won flights with General Yeager and also became Young Eagles.

Jason Brown, 14, Tim Spink, 13, Ben Casey, 13, and David the friends he has made, is marshaling and working on the flight line. "I only wish we could have done more," said Brown, as he talked about working the flight line at a recent airshow in Tuskegee, Ala.

The part he likes least about the cadet program is some of the exercises. He joined the cadets because some of his friends were members.

Spink joined the cadets as a way to spend more time with his father - an Air Force master sergeant — and because he would like to go to the Air Force Academy.

His favorite part of being a cadet is wearing the uniform. "I like the way people look at us when we wear our uniforms especially around the base," said Spink. The thing he likes least about being a cadet is being low on the chain of command, because sometimes he is the last to know about things.

Spink thinks the cadet program is good for anyone who wants to make something of themselves because the program teaches endurance and patience.

Casey joined the cadets because he wants to be like his grandfather who was in the US Air Force. His favorite activities are search and rescue and communication. He also loves

Retired Air Force Brig. Gen. Chuck Yeager talks with the Young Eagles after a Saturday afternoon of flying in the skies around Montgomery, Ala.

wearing the uniform because "It makes me feel grown up," said Casey. He really enjoys being a cadet, but being low on the chain is rough.

Mr. Casey described flying with Gen. Eager as "flying with history." All the cadets described the experience as something the never would forget.



A soon-to-be CAP cadet receives cockpit instructions as he prepares to fly with Brig. Gen. Chuck Yeager. The flight was provided part of the Experimental Aircraft Association's Young Eagle program. The association's goal is fly 100,000 boys and girls by 2005.

became the first man to fly faster than the speed of sound and on Dec. 12, 1953, he became the first man to fly more than twice the speed of sound.

General Yeager is also the driving force behind the Young Eagles program. The program was initiated by the Experimental Aircraft Association and so far they have flown more than 100,000 boys and girls. The association expects to reach its goal by the year 2005, said General Yeager.

Cameron, 15, from the Maxwell AFB Cadet Squadron were among the 40 winners of the contest.

Brown, Spink, and Casey all listed flying as one of their favorite parts of being a cadet. "I enjoy being above the rest of the world," said Brown. Spink described flying as a real "rush" and a thrill. Casey, who has never flown before, said, "I want to see what the world looks like from up there.'

Brown said his favorite part



# Headquarters Moving to Texas

Shift Ends 13 Years at Bolling

By Jack Forbes

WASHINGTON - Civil Air Patrol's National Headquarters will move to Ellington AFB, Houston, Tex., in August, Brig. Gen. Stephen D. McElroy, National Commander, announced June 24.

CAP National Headquarters has been located at Washington's Bolling AFB for the past 13 and onehalf years.

The move to Ellington AFB, made with the approval of AF Chief of Staff, Gen. Thomas D. White, will put CAP headquarters back in Texas for the second time in its 18 year history. The headquarters was located in Fort Worth for nearly a year in 1945 and 1946, before moving to Washington.

The shift of CAP headquarters from Washington to Houston will relocate 85 AF officers and airmen and a number of civilian employees. Many of the 27 career civilians employed by the headquarters elected to stay in Washington.

Source: CAP Times, July 1959

# Determination, will key factors in Colorado cadet's challenge

Stacey Scherl Staff Writer

"If determination was rated from one to 10, SSgt. Shawn Jurgens would rate an 11," said 1st Lt. James Masters.

On May 19, 1994, 16-yearold Shawn Jurgens, a member of the Greeley Composite Squadron, in Greeley, Colo., was seriously injured in an automobile accident. The vehicle was totaled when it hit a bridge abut-

In an effort to save his leg, doctors at the North Colorado Medical Center performed eight operations, including an arterial graft. Their efforts were unsuccelebrated his 17th birthday by going back into the hospital where his leg was amputated just below the knee.

After a two-month stay in the hospital, Sergeant Jurgens started to attend the weekly meetings of the squadron — in a wheel chair and in full uniform.

"Nothing slows him down.



SSgt. Shawn Jurgens

After having an accident like he had, you would expect him to give up, but nothing slows him down," said Capt. Gerald Cedarqueist, squadron commander.

Since the accident, Sergeant Jurgens has maintained an almost perfect attendance record

at the squadron. He was recently appointed to serve as the cadet commander where his enthusiasm and leadership is an inspiration to the Seniors and cadets of the organization.

Sergeant Jurgens graduated from Greeley Central High School this June where he maintained a 3.0 grade point average.

Sergeant Jurgens was also a member of the wrestling team in the 142-pound class. He stuck with the program and compiled a record of six wins and five losses and received his letter in the sport.

The sergeant also volunteered to stay in sports and worked as a sports trainer in all of the athletics programs

SergeantJurgens is working as a mechanic at a car dealership this summer and plans to attend Aims Community College this fall.

Sergeant Jurgensis working toward the Mitchell award and says his favorite part about being a cadet is flying and goes up whenever

# Commission votes on closure bases

WASHINGTON — The Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission voted June 22 to close McClellan AFB, Calif., and the San Antonio Air Logistics Center. McClellan AFB is the home of the Sacramento ALC.

Five other Air Force installations are recommended for closure, and five for realignment.

The commission voted to keep sixinstallations open the Department of Defense recommended be closed or realigned, BRAC officials announced in a statement

The commission's decision to close the two ALCs was taken against Air Force and Department of Defense recommendations. The commission recommended closing 20 Department of Defense military bases and realigning six.

Now the recommendations must be accepted or rejected in full by the president and Congress. A realignment is eliminating or reducing part of a base's population or mission, but not closing the installation.

Commission voting on Air Force installations was completed June 22.

The other Air Force BRAC actions, in the order they were taken, were:

→ Rome Laboratory, New York: The DOD recommendation was to close it, but the commission voted to keep it open.

→ Kirtland AFB, N.M.: DOD recommended realignment, but later withdrew that recommendation and the commission agreed.

→ Brooks AFB, Texas: DOD recommended closure, but the commission voted to keep it open.

+ Eglin AFB, Fla.: The commission accepted the

DOD proposal to realign the base.

Real-Time Digitally Controlled Analyzer Processor Activity, Buffalo, N.Y.: DOD recommended "disestablishing" the activity, and the commission

→ Air Force Electronic Warfare Evaluation Simulator Activity, Fort Worth, Texas: DOD recommended "disestablishing" the activity, but the commission voted to keep it open.

→ Hill AFB, Utah: The commission accepted the DOD proposal to realign the base.

→ Williams AFB, Ariz.: DOD recommended changing the 1991 BRAC vote to move the base's Armstrong Laboratory Aircrew Training Research Facility to Or-

lando, Fla. The commission agreed, and the lab will remain at Williams.

→ Grand Forks AFB, N.D.: The commission accepted the DOD proposal to realign the base.

→ MacDill AFB, Fla.: DOD recommended changing the 1991 BRAC vote to close and transfer the base's airfield to the Department of Commerce, and the commission agreed. The airfield will remain open as part of the base.

→ Reese AFB, Texas: The commission accepted the DOD proposal to close the base.

→ Onizuka AS, Calif.: The commission accepted the DOD proposal to realign the base.

→ Lowry AFB, Colo.: DOD recommended changing the 1991 BRAC vote to canton a base unit, and the commission agreed.

→ Carswell ARS, Texas: The commission, which had added the base to the list of those in consideration for closure, voted to keep it open.

→ Homestead AFB, Fla.: DOD recommended changing the 1993 BRAC vote to move a unit from the base and relocate another base unit from the recommended base to another location and the commission agreed.

→ Greater Pittsburgh IAP ARS, Pa.: The commission reversed the DOD proposal to close the base; it will remain open.

→ Chicago O'Hare IAP ARS, Ill.: In a modification of the 1993 BRAC recommendation, the commission voted to inactivate the Air Force Reserve C-130 unit, and will relocate the ANG unit there to Scott AFB, Ill., at the city of Chicago's expense.

→ North Highlands AGS, Calif.: The commission rejected the DOD proposal to close the station; it will remain open.

→ Ontario IAP AGS, Calif.: The commission accepted the DOD proposal to close the station.

→ Roslyn AGB, N.Y.: The commission approved the DOD proposal to close the station, conditional on land-sale revenue.

→ Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport AGS, Ohio: The commission rejected the DOD proposal to close the station; it will remain open.

→ Griffiss AFB, N.Y.: The commission accepted the DOD proposal to close the airfield, and also approved alternative locations for a departing unit; both are changes to the 1993 BRAC recommendation

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### Helicopter crashes in Wyoming

FRANCISE. WARREN AIR FORCE BASE, Wyo. (AFNS) — An Air Force HH-1H helicopter returning to Minot Air Force Base, N.D., from the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., crashed in a remote area about 10 miles southeast of Pine Bluffs, Wyo., about 4 p.m. July 1.

Two military and two civilian crew members were treated for minor injuries at the Kimball, Neb., hospital after walking to a nearby farm, being transported to a 90th Missile Wing missile alert facility, then taken to Kimball.

First Lt. Shawn Adkins was aircraft commander on the helicopter, assigned to the 54th Rescue Flight at Minot. Also aboard were 1st Lt. Jonathan Kim and two civilian maintenance workers, Frank Thompson and Rick Reisenauer.

A board of Air Force officers is investigating the accident.

### Commissaries accept credit cards

FORT LEE, Va. (AFNS) — Sixteen more commissaries will begin accepting credit card payments from shoppers during the next six months, Defense Commissary Agency officials recently announced.

The 16 stores, including six on Air Force installations, bring to 22 the number of commissaries that will accept VISA or Master Card payment from shoppers.

The new sites and their projected start-up dates are: June — Fort Campbell, Ky.; Tyndall AFB, Fla.; Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; July — Fort Irwin, Calif.; Camp Pendleton MCB, Calif.; McClellan AFB, Calif.; Little Rock AFB, Ark.; Ramstein Air Base, Germany; August — Heidelberg, Germany; RAF Lakenheath, England; October — Fort Shafter, Hawaii; Hickam AFB, Hawaii; Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; November — Barbers Point NAS, Hawaii; Kaneohe Bay MCB, Hawaii; and Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

The agency began accepting credit cards to offer shoppers added service and convenience.

# General Harris U.S. military's first female black two-star general

MSgt. Merrie Schilter Lowe Air Force News Service

WASHINGTON — In 1964, 21-year-old Marcelite Jordan was fresh out of college, but couldn't find a well-paying job because she didn't have "experience." Today, Maj. Gen. Marcelite Jordan Harris has enough experience to run one of the biggest operations in the Air Force — maintenance.

As the director of Air Force maintenance, General Harris is responsible for organizing, training and equipping a work force of more than 125,000 people, and overseeing weapon systems worth more than \$260 billion.

"You don't go to war without maintenance people to keep the aircraft flying," says General Harris.

The general received her second star June 16 at a promotion ceremony in the Pentagon. Her husband, daughter, and mother helped Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Ronald R. Fogleman pin on the new stars. Retired Air Force Maj. Gen. Jennie Holm

fittingly supplied the stars. Holm was the Air Force's first female general officer and the military's first two-star general.

"It's a special treat to have General Holm here and to wear her stars," said General Harris. Holm, who retired in 1975, was one of the people who helped

Harris become the Air Force's first female maintenance officer.

The Houston native earned a bachelor's degree in speech and drama from Spelman College in Atlanta; and another in business management from the University of Maryland.

General Harris joined the Air

Force in 1965. She started her Air Force career as an administrator; however, while stationed at Bitburg AB, Germany, in 1970, General Harris' boss asked if she'd like to become a

maintenance officer. There were no women in maintenance at that time.

One of the most difficult hurdles General Harris had to cross was getting into the maintenance officers' school, then based at Chanute AFB, Ill. "I was turned down twice," she

said. "First, I was told the administration career field was critical (short of people so no one was allowed to cross-train into another career field), and later, that I applied too late."

Col. Webb Thompson, her boss at the time, told the general those reasons didn't

make sense and to try again. He advised her to send a copy of the application and a letter to then Colonel Holm, the Air Force's ranking female officer and the director of women. Th-

Maj. Gen.

Marcelite Jordan Harris

ompson also wrote to Holm, who was already working to open more career fields to women.

About six weeks after writing to Holm, General Harris received a letter from the colonel and another from Air Force personnel officials saying she had been accepted for maintenance officers' school. But even after she graduated, General Harris was still pigeonholed in administrative areas, so Thompson again came to her aid.

As commander of a fighter wing at Korat Royal Thai AFB in Thailand, Thompson helped General Harris get an assignment to his installation. Later, he directed his deputy commander for maintenance to give her a job on the flightline.

General Harris became maintenance supervisor for the 49th Tactical Fighter Squadron — flying 20 F-4Ds in and out of Vietnam.

When she entered the Air Force some 30 years ago, General Harris said she never thought she'd be promoted past colonel, she said. She was so sure in fact, she and her hus-

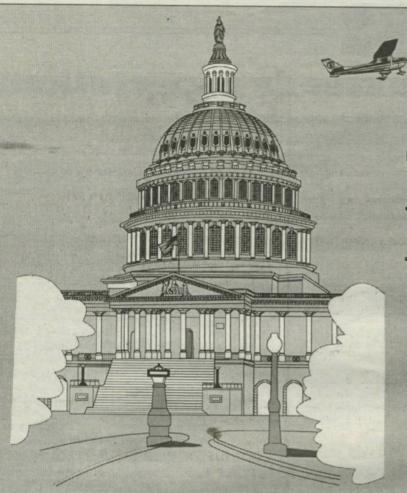
band, Maurice, bought their retirement home in Mississippi while stationed at Keesler AFB, Miss. Five years and two jobs later, the general earned her first star. By then, she was vice commander of the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center at Tinker AFB, Okla.

In 1993, General Harris became director of Air Force training at Air Education and Training Command, Randolph AFB, Texas. In 1994, she assumed her present job at Air Staff.

General Harris credits her family with helping her keep life in perspective. "They see me as wife and mother; the one who needs to decide what to cook and then, cook it; the one who listens to teenage problems; and the one who sometimes does things they don't like or care for — and they don't mince words in telling me so," the general said.

General Harris' husband is a retired Air Force officer turned lawyer

They have two children: an adult son, Steven; and daughter, Tenecia, 13.



# 1995 CIVIL AIR PATROL NATIONAL BOARD MEETING

Aug. 17-19, 1995 Sheraton Washington Hotel Washington, D.C.

# **National Board Meeting Schedule**

Sheraton Ballroom

A/B Registration Desk

A/B Registration Desk Virginia B

Exhibit Hall C Exhibit Hall C

Virginia A

Exhibit Hall C

Congressional

Vermont

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Thursday - August 17 Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Items Adjournment

0800 - 1700

(Associated Activities) 0700 - 0800 0700 - 1900 0700 - 1900 1200 - 1700 1300 - 1700

1300 - 1700 1300 - 1700 1800 - 2000 1800 - 2000 1830 - 2300

Friday - August 18 Call to Orde

Air Force Band Posting of Colors Invocation Pledge of Allegiance Memorial Service Introductions Keynote Address Corp. Election Results Remarks:

- National Commander Senior AF Advisor

- Gen Fogleman Video - SAF/MIR

- Update Briefings - Health Promotion Adjournment

1300 - 1500

1300 - 1500

1400 - 1500

1530 - 1700

National Commander

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National Board

**National Board Session** (Break: 0930 - 1000 / Lunch: 1200 - 1330)

Meet and Greet Coffee Exhibits Open National Board Registration Banquet Registration Cadet Advisory Council Spaatz Association

Region Communication Meeting No-Host Reception Regions Chaplain Meeting National Consultation Committee

National Commander

**CAP Cadets** Chief of Chaplains Chief of Chaplains National Commander National Legal Officer

**BG** Anderson Col Padgett, USAF

Mr. Sharratt National HQ Staff Maj Lyon, USAF National Commander

**General Assembly** (Break: 0930 - 1000) National Commander's Support Group Delaware B Nat. Cadet Program Committee Cadet Advisory Council Aerospace Education Seminar Chaplain Seminar Check Pilot Seminar Communications Seminar **FECA Claims Seminar** Finance Seminar Logistics Seminar Personnel Seminar Senior Training Seminar National CC's Town Meeting

(Associated Activities) 0700 - 0800 0700 - 0800

Exhibits Open National Board Registration Banquet Registration Chief of Chaplain Luncheon Spaatz Association Jewish Service No-Host Reception

Meet and Greet Coffee

Interfaith Prayer Breakfast

Exhibit Hall C Virginia A & B Exhibit Hall C A/B Registration Desk A/B Registration Desk Cotillion Ballroom Nathan Hale Vermont Exhibit Hall C

Saturday - August 19 Call to Order

Introductions Secretary Widnall Video Keynote Address Military Women Maryland Cadet Drill Team **Award Presentations** 

Benediction Adjournment

0800 - 1130

1500 - 1700

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National Commander Senior AF Advisor Chief of Chaplains National Commander

**General Assembly** (Break: 0930 - 1000) National Advisory Council Association of Past Region/Wing CCs Nat. Cadet Program Committee Cadet Advisory Council Chaplain Seminar Computer Seminar Drug Demand Reduction Health Seminar Legal Seminar Marketing & PA Seminar **Operations Seminar** Counterdrug Seminar Airborne TV & Digital Comm. Seminar Historical Seminar Inspection Seminar Legislative Liaison Seminar Membership Development Safety Seminar

Exhibits Open National Board Registration Banquet Registration Spaatz Association Protestant Service Catholic Service **No-Host Reception** 

Banquet

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(Schedule subject to change)

# First Oshkosh encampment exceeds expectations

Civil Air Patrol has come a long way toward putting the "air" back into CAP for its cadets with the completion of the first National Cadet Flying Encampment which is presently finishing the second class at Oshkosh, Wis.

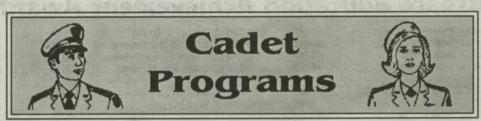
"The first session of the national encampment has exceeded our wildest expectations," said Doug Isaacson, national director of Cadet Programs. "Our cadets came to us motivated and enthusiastic and it spread like wildfire to all involved even the staff, our EAA partners, and the Air Force reservists.'

According to Mr. Isaacson, the encampment's location was ideal. "The facilities at Oshkosh worked out tremendously. The weather was great for flying, and we enjoyed incredible support from the surrounding communities, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the many individuals who have contributed time and effort to this endeavor," he said.

Mr. Isaacson also said the encampment received some "fantastic" corporate support. "Phillips Petroleum helped defray fuel costs; Cessna contributed flight manuals and other materials; Sporty's contributed instructional videos; and Jeppesen/Sanderson contributed training materials," he said.

The flying program also went smoothly. "Of the 19 cadets who met the initial qualifications, 15 soloed, two within seven days of entering the school. That is truly remarkable," Mr. Isaacson stated. "This attests to the excellent CAP senior member CFIs; many of whom have thousands of hours of flight time. You just can't purchase such talent."

In all, there were 22 students enrolled at the first encampment, some as young as fifteen years of age. More than 174 students are expected to participate



in the four encampments - representing 43 wings and every region. In addition, there will be one cadet representing the Rhein Main, Germany, squad-

"This first session of the encampment set a fast tempo for the three remaining schools," Mr. Isaacson said. "We could not have asked for a better beginning."

### Special activities under way

Cadet Programs unveiled this year's season of special activities with the Advanced Pararescue Orientation Course at Kirtland AFB, N.M., June 10-17.

Nineteen cadets attended APJOC. The course is a continuation of the PJOC curriculum and includes more advanced studies in first aid, repelling, survival, and other search and rescue activities.

Also, the Air Force Space Command Familiarization Course at Peterson AFB, Colo., just ended. Forty two cadets attended this special course that offers an inside look at the U.S. Air Force Space Command's systems and missions.

In all, CAP has 13 national cadet special activities ranging from the ones already described to Cadet Officer School the premiere domestic cadet activity held annually at Maxwell AFB, Ala. The school is a fast-paced, intensive leadership laboratory for highly motivated cadets. Cadets awarded the Mitchell Award are eligible to apply.

In July, Cadet Program's will run the COS, and two Air Education and Training Command Familiarization Course one at Columbus AFB, Miss., and the other at Laughlin AFB, Texas. These courses look at how AETC runs its pilot training programs, with both classroom study and hands on orientation flights in military aircraft. We will also hold two PJOC courses - one at Kirtland AFB and one at the George Washington National Forest in Virginia.

In August, Cadet Programs will hold the National Blue Beret Encampment CAP's primary search and rescue school - at Oshkosh, Wis. In addition to the demanding curriculum, the cadets will have the opportunity to use what they will learn at the annual EAA Fly-In. We will also hold the last National Cadet Flight Encampment.

The International Air Cadet Exchange program is also slated for August. IACE is CAP's crowning special activity; only the most motivated, high-achieving cadets are eligible to attend. This year CAP will be exchanging with 16 countries. Cultures as diverse as Japan and Romania will be represented.

In all, almost 800 CAP cadets will be participating in these special activities the highest number of cadets to participate in almost a decade.

No doubt - CAP cadets will have a busy summer. More news of these activities will appear in future editions of Cadet Programs Today and the Civil Air Patrol News. LL CO Ja

### Ramona Reeves departs

Cadet Programs said good-bye June 30 to Ramona T. Reeves, cadet special activities coordinator. While people may know her name, they may not know who she is or what she contributed to the Cadet Programs Directorate and CAP.

Ms. Reeves joined the CAP family in 1990 as a Department of the Air Force Civil Service employee and was given the overwhelming task of coordinating eight of CAP's national cadet special activities in locations spanning the country. She also controlled the scholarship, squadron of distinction, and cadet of the year programs.

"Ms. Reeves has done an outstanding job, and she has left a quality mark for many years to come," said Doug Isaacson, director of Cadet Programs.

A long time Civil Service employee, Ms. Reeves retired last year and agreed to stay with CAP to assist in the transition from Air Force to corporate employment in Cadet Programs. In this capacity, she continued in her usual duties along with the added function of serving as corporate memory and teaching the new staff the processes that make Cadet Programs work.

Ms. Reeves recently decided to devote more time to her family and friends. Her husband, Bob Reeves, is a retired U.S. Air Force lieutenant colonel. The couple has six children and 14 grandchildren.

Ms. Reeves gave Civil Air Patrol her time, her memory, her experience and most of all her support. On behalf of the CAP family, Cadet Programs thanks her for all that she did and bids her a fond

# Oregon Wing establishes five-plane formation flying team

Maj. Thomas Traver Public Affairs Officer Oregon Wing

"OK, lead's coming left to heading three-zero-zero, two mile initial for a right overhead break, mid-field. Let's keep a tight parade until the break. Dash three, you're high. Ease off for a better step down. That's good. Two, you're acute, slide back on the bearing line. OK. There you go. Good formation,

Radio chatter from the Air Force Thunderbirds? Perhaps the Blue Angels? No way. It's from an Oregon Wing formation flying team training with the U.S. Navy. The wing established a five-plane formation flying team to fly low-level surveys for the Navy out of the Whidby Island NAS in Washington State.

The LSS will cover flying many navigation training routes, any of which are several hundreds of miles long in the three-state area of Oregon. Washington and Nevada.

The training routes are used by Navy E-6B Prowler and A-6T Intruder aircraft to upgrade their tactical navigation/flying skills.

The training routes are four miles wide hence the use of formation flying in order to cover both sides and the middle of the routes in one sweep.

"We have been flying the surveys for the Navy since 1990 and have found the formation technique to be the most cost effective and efficient way to safely complete the survey in the least amount of time," said Maj. Howard Knytych, mission project officer.

"Since the training routes require the Navy planes to fly as low as 100 feet off the deck at speeds of up to 400 knots, they are required to conduct a yearly survey of the courses to ensure no navigational hazards to flight operations havenot arisen, such as antennas, towers, cables strung across the routes, or new crop duster or ultra light air strips," stated Major Knytych said.

The Navy has contracted with the wing for the past five years to provide pilots and aircraft to assist in surveying the routes since they do not have suitable aircraft.



An Oregon Wing C-182 takes a hard 45-degree break out of close formation on a low-level formation flying training flight. Oregon pilots are now flying in close formation in support of low-level survey flights for the U.S. Navy.

Aircrews consist of CAP pi- waypoint along the route with a lots who act as PICs, and Navy observer pilots who retain operational control of the mission and assist in flying duties.

Survey weekends are long, hot work, and include overnight stays at military bases in Nevada or Washington.

To ensure complete efficient, coverage five aircraft fly simultaneously over each course spaced roughly one half to one mile apart. All four wingmen fly in reference to the lead aircraft, which navigates each combination of LORAN, GPS and "mark one eyeballs."

The five aircraft normally fly in formation from staging bases to and from routes to maintain order and safety. The exception is when weather between the staging bases and the routes require individual IFR flight rules.

The flying skills required of all the CAP pilots, in addition to normal currency, include IFR proficiency, and mastery and ease at formation flying. Pilot applicants are very carefully screened and considerable emphasis is given to formation training and standardization.

The actual survey is conducted one weekend each month in June, July and August in order to spread the workload out through the summer.

"But the actual survey flying is only one part of the mission,' said Major Knytych. "The other less visible benefit of this mission is the relationship we have established with the Navy. While on duty we work, we eat and we live with these Navy We've become a real

These are great people, great pilots and CAP is a great organization," stated Lt. Greg Young, a Navy instructor pilot from the VAQ-129 training squadron at Whidby Island. "The Civil Air Patrol has become an essential part of our training operation from the LLS standpoint. The Navy just does not have the resources to perform the LES on its own.

"The CAP is the only way we can perform this operation within the budget and resources we have to work with."



### Brig. Gen. Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager **Aerospace Education Achievement Awards**



Name
Lt. Col. James R. Barrow
Lt. Col. Nancy A. Carey
Lt. Col. Connie C. Ekstrom
Lt. Col. John L. Evans
Lt. Col. John E. Jones
Lt. Col. Merton D. Short
Maj. Cynthia L. Biggs
Maj. Walter R. Biggs
Maj. Douglas W. Galloway
Maj. Clarence A. Peters
Maj. George M. Roy Jr
Capt. Joyce D. Bake
Capt. Louise E. Brunkow
Capt. Orlando Burgos
Capt. Hans W. Kampfer
Capt. Karen A. Peters
Capt. Roger L. Storius
1st Lt. Donald W. Boyce
1st Lt. Gregory H. Browning

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46005	1st Lt. Charlotte A. Duke	50015
46080	1st Lt. Jack L Hall	48148
19022	1st Lt. Ted C. Hanson	46005
21001	1st Lt. Irvin C. Ketelsen	04249
48124	1st Lt. Robert K. McKnight	27031
04397	1st Lt. John K. Morrison	46005
95001	1st Lt. John E. Pace	48064
23114	1st Lt. Phillip R. Pickell	27031
09023	1st Lt. John Riordan	29097
48151	1st Lt. Don F. Schaefer	48008
27031	1st Lt. David L. Studer	48151
50015	1st Lt. David L. Thompson	13083
48151	1st Lt. Betty E. Turnbull	34277
29097	1st Lt. Terry L. Veech	21017
48151	1st Lt. Maribeth C. Yarnell	14001
48151	2nd Lt. Steven P. Barnes	51060
21017	2nd Lt. Steve S. Brown	27031
48151	2nd Lt. Angel Cordero	29097
09023	2nd Lt. Roger Day	14118

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27031	James V. Havard
7031	LeeAnn S. Kaspar
09023	Melanie Kelekolio
29097	Elwin E. Kunzler
48048	William A. Larson
46090	Charles W. Lee
46007	Candace L. Maggio
27031	Jeffrey C. McConnel
27031	Vincent J. Petruzzi
21017	Thomas L. Phy
27031	Sheldon P. Reynolds
27031	Richard H. Sarver
46082	Juel R. Short
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David M. Carr
Michelle Artolachipe
Michelle C. Latimer
Michael S. Reynolds
Fabio V. Fortunat
David Treadwell
Margaret Coombs
Dawn D. Smith
Adam J. Riley
Will T. Green
Matthew L. Cognata
Joseph P. Brooks
Carmen E. Carreras
Matthew D. Pope
Charles L. McMullen III
Bradley E. Huckaby
Nathaniel D. Lee
Phillip L. Wolfram
Catherine A. Flynn
Alex J. Rusher
Mary-Margaret Ward
Shawn A. Stonequist
Paula A. Zandstra
Jeremy J. Reynolds
James H. Brown
Robert J. Bolevn
Jesse L. Hasenkampf
David S. Guerra
Dawn M. Merchant

### Gen. Billy Mitchell Awards

Bradley D. Norris	17038	Stefan N. Jorgenson	26019
Richard A. Zielinski	17075	Becky D. Gann	26088
Scott M. Barber	18011	Michael F. Dyer	28037
Harry R. Wille	18023	Raymond Forte	29080
Travis J. Cox	19013	John C. Zier	31020
Jayson R. Luippold	19013	Steven J. Voorheis	32142
Lisa M. Banas	19015	Justin A. Trager	34015
Andrew T. Mitchell	19015	Lori A. Alexander	34037
James B. Rothwell Jr.	19043	Joseph D. Trivitt	35015
John H. Bravender	20075	Daniel R. Nolan	35113
Jeffrey R. Wood	20241	Patrick J. Wineman	36065
Nick M. Bollum	21010	Joshua R. Fuhrer	36073
Jason K. Furtney	21114	Glenda I. Villamar	36089
Nathan A. Griffin	21122	Victor C. Baver	37065
Stefani S. Nabe	23098	Sherry L. Brimmeier	37313
Kristian D. Jorgensen	24008	Christopher Perry	38016
Robert M. Hoffman	24031	Evelyn Caram	39014
Joseph E. Elsasser	26019	Lester E. Lara	39096

Joseph K. Uekusa	42154
Sarah D. Nall	42353
Tommy J. Henderson	42416
Eric G. Johnston	42419
Patrick W. Knutson	43049
Danielle E. Blodgett	44006
Joel V. Bodenman	46011
Eric J. Poe	46023
Gregory S. Babonis	46039
Larissa S. Shipunoff	46068
Gavin W. Glasenapp	48048
Jennifer A. Nisiewicz	48061
Matt R. Sperl	50009
Alfredo Mejia	52002
Felix Muniz	52002
Wanda Santiago	52002
Thomas P. Meyer	50022
Juan A. Rodriguez	52071
Domingo Acevedo	52110
Jesus R. Figueroa	52122
Jose D. Vazquez Fuentes	52122
Elias J. Valentin	52160
Eyston A. Austin	52900
Chrystalia C. Blyden	52900
Emmanuel D. Harrigan	52900
Brita K. Hill	99100
Robert R. Tampkins	99100
Joseph W. Simecek	99113
Justin N. Robey	99113
Mark D. Thornsley	99122



### **Amelia Earhart Awards**

Kevin J. Archer	03099	Duane D. Meske	21017
Kevin Brady	07004	Jason D. Roth	22101
Katherine Rodriguez	08090	Chris A. Rozansky	29088
Michael R. Byers	08104	Eric S. Riley	31391
Shauvane L. Jerome	08123	Jerry J. Fasoldt	31073
Theodora S. Passinos	08159	Kelcey J. Doty	31117
Nathaniel B. Sims	09023	Daniel A. Rogers	31117
Nathan L. Gallahan	10083	James R. Brown II	31388
Joseph Martinez	11011	Christopher M. Bahleda	34115
Garrett L. Adams	11061	Douglas W. Baker	34282
Scott L. Terry	11286	Kevin P. Cossairt	35008
Craig A. Rodaniel	12084	Jonathan D. Hall	37313
Michael A. Steens	12184	Michael P. Yunker	37318
Travis W. Partin	16010	Stephan E. Russ	41170
Nathan A. McClure	18004	Joel V. Stout	41170
Jason P. Haislip	18011	Steven J. Mathis	41174
Eric W. Tiso	18086	Christopher E. Ledding	43048
Gabrielle L. Lutz	18089	Chad A. Moore	46050
Kenneth M. Porter	19043	Andrew J. Woppert	48061
Derek R. Kavanaugh	21010	Karl R. Hanson	48153

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### Gen. Carl Spaatz **Awards**

Kimberly A. Neilson Melissa D. Anderson John A. Kerrigan Christopher M. Plummer Rod N. Repp Sean P. O'Shea

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Congratulations to all!

# Reporting the accomplishments of CAP members worldwide

### Northeast Region

Pennsylvania - At the Pennsylvania Wing conference, June 23-25, 1st Lt. William T. Mohr was presented the Bronze Medal of Valor and Maj. Martin J. O'Donnell received a Life Saving Award. Both men were presented with a Commonwealth Citation by guest Lt. Gov. Mark S. Schweiker. O'Donnell and Mohr are from Squadron 907, Group 90, Charter 37106.

Senior of the Year was Lt. Col. Jean-Pierre J. Habets, Group 70, Charter 37164 and the Group of the Year was Group 1300, Charter 37008.

In the afternoon, members from the new Group 3 got together to discuss reorganization plans and to meet new commander Lt. Col. Stephen P.

Commander's Commendations for Group Commanders were given to Maj. Allyn F. Wagner, Group 10; Maj. Timothy F. Cheslock, Group 20; Lt. Col. Roysetta C. Bruner, Group 30; Lt. Col. Harvey M. Katz, Group 40; Lt. Col. Charlotte P. Paul, Group 50; Lt. Col. Roger L. Owens, Group 60; Maj. James V. Osten, Group 70; Lt. Col. Eugene L. Egry, Group 80; Lt. Col. Willa J. Hayes, Group 90; Lt. Col. Stephen P. Fortin, Group 100; Lt. Col. Richart E. Shaffer, Group 1200; Lt. Col. Lt. Col. Raymond W. Whetstine, Group 1300; Capt. David S. Nale, Group 1400; Maj. Barry M. Alberter, Group 1500; and Maj. Mary Ann V. Littlefield, Group

New York — €AP members from the New York City Group

and the Long Island Group, and members of the 2nd/142nd Army National Guard Aviation Battalion, joined forces for Cadet Day 1995 June 10 at Long Island-MacArthur Airport. The event, which was organized to provide cadet orientation flights, included communications training; an open house, and a barbecue for CAP members and their family and friends.

Midway through the celebration, the

U.S. Army National Guard made a dramatic appearance in a UH-1 helicopter. The craft was later put on display.

The event was the brainchild of Lt. Henry Rey of Falcon Squadron, NYC Group. Thanks to Rey and 41 other senior members, the event was a rousing success.

Four corporate aircraft and two member-owned aircraft were provided for orientation flights, and all qualified cadets present were able to fly. In all, 12 orientation sorties were flown and 23 cadet orientation flights were provided.

All of the activities took place at Long Island Group's Halstead facility at Long Island-MacArthur Airport, provided courtesy of the Long Island Group commander, Lt. Col. Norman Briskman.

The helicopter was flown by 1st Lt. Brian Shortt, an Army National Guard chief warrant officer and a member of Falcon Squadron, CAP, New York City Group. The chopper may be available for orientation flights during next year's cadet day.

Massachusetts - U.S. Army personnel and civilian employees joined for one last Memorial Day celebration at Fort Devens on May 26-28. Capt. William N. Moss of the Fort Devens Fire Department was the Special Project Officer for the weekendlong event.

Attendees included members of the U.S.S. Constitution Color Guard, Marine Detachment 1797, Royal Artillery, 47th Regiment Foot and CAP.

Colonial artillery groups loaded, primed and fired authentic reproductions of canons and firearms used in colonial times during a reenactment of a colonial battle.

Other activities included a military working dog demonstration; a skydiving exhibition by U.S. Army 10th Special Forces. CAP members secured the canine demonstration area, perimeter of the drop zone, and colonial artillery and battle reenactment areas.

Massachusetts Wing CAP Drill Team members demonstrated basic drills and innovative routines to the appreciation and



New York City Group cadets inspect an Army National Guard UH-1N helicopter during the group's Cadet Day 1995.

applause of observers. Massachusetts Wing CAP also manned a medical aid tent, supervised by Maj. Donald Benoit, Group III commander, on the parade ground and provided communications support from its communication van under the watchful eye of Lt. Col. Alfred Slaney, Massachusetts Wing staff. Eighty-four CAP cadet and senior members were involved in this Memorial Day observance.

Units represented were the **New Bedford Composite** Squadron; Brockton Cadet Squadron; Goddard Composite Squadron, Worcester; Worcester Cadet Squadron; Mt. Wachusett Composite Squadron, Fitchburg; Beverly Composite Squadron; Quincy Composite Squadron; Group II; Cape Cod Composite Squadron, Otis ANGB, Cape Cod; **Group III; Essex County** Composite Squadron, North Andover; Phoenix Baypath Composite Squadron, Southbridge; Hanscom Composite Squadron; Camp Curtis Guild Composite Squadron, Reading; Thunderbolt Cadet Squadron, Natick; and Massachusetts Wing Headquarters, Hanscom AFB.

Massachusetts - Maj. Bobbie-Jean Tourville was honored as the Massachusetts Wing CAP Headquarters Staff Member of the Year. Tourville developed a cadet program manual and senior program manual to aid new members. The major is presently working at National Headquarters. Wing Commander Col. Thomas DiMilla accepted the award on her behalf.

In 1986, Tourville, joined CAP's MariSoro Squadron. She and her mother 1st Lt. Marjorie

Tourville transferred to Hanscom Composite Squadron when the Marlboro Squadron closed. Tourville continued to be actively

involved in



Maj. Bobbie-Jean Tourville

squadron, group and wing activities while at Hanscom. Tourville joined the Group I staff in 1992 as a senior member with the rank of captain. She served as Cadet Programs Officer until December 1993, when she came to Massachusetts Wing Headquarters as assistant director for Senior Programs.

Tourville has achieved a master rating in Cadet Programs, and senior rating in Senior Programs.

New York -The U.S. Army recently awarded the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal to Capt. Wes Hedges of Buffalo Squadron 1. The medal recognizes Hedges' volunteer service to CAP and counseling at the Buffalo Veterans Center.

Hedges is a captain in the U.S. Army Reserve. He served on active duty in southwest Asia as a Kiowa helicopter pilot with the First Cavalry Division. He is the squadron aerospace education officer and works as a counselor for the Lackawana School District, Lackawana, N.Y.

Pennsylvania — Pennsylvania Wing's Clarion Composite

Squadron 504 celebrated its first anniversary as a CAP unit May 26. Public affairs officer 2Lt. Kerry A. Kline set up a display highlighting significant events in the squadron's one-year history.

The display at the Clarion Free Library was for public viewing and promoted the CAP and Clarion Composite Squadron

Massachusetts - Cadet MSgt. Tonya Plaxfield received a certificate of appreciation recently from Lt. Gen. Thomas R. Griffith, commander, 12th Air Force. The certificate recognized Cadet Master Sgt. Maxfield as the first cadet commander of Catamount Composite Squadron, Vermont Wing.

Maxfield also serves as Catamount's delegate to the Vermont Wing Cadet Advisory Council and is the president of Explorer Post 226, which is dualchartered with the squadron.

Maxfield is a senior at Bellows Falls Union High School in Bellows Falls, Vt., and has been accepted to attend Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott, Ariz., next fall.

New York - Cadet SSgt. Brian T. Waite has been accepted at the U.S. Naval Academy and will be a member of the class of 1999.

Waite has been an active member of CAP since 1993. He presently holds the rank of cadet staff sergeant in the Rochester Composite Squadron.

Waite plans to study computer science at the academy and to pursue a career as a naval aviator. After completing his military career, he would like to become a commercial pilot and strongly believes that the leadership skills he has acquired while in CAP will be a life-long asset.

For recreation, Waite enjoys restoring aircraft at the National Warplane Museum in Geneseo, N.Y. His squadron went to the museum to lend a hand in the many restoration projects the museum has under way. Since then, he has become a weekly regular at the museum and in the restoration hangar.

Waite was asked what he

would tell his peers who were looking for something exciting to do. "If you are looking for a challenge, join CAP. It's the place to be."



Cadet SSgt. Brian T. Waite

### Middle East Region

Virginia -- More than 75 members from Virginia's Group 3 squadrons participated in the Drug Awareness Resistance Education Program that was

recently held at Manassas Airport. Twenty three displays and demonstrations were set up by law enforcement agencies, fire and rescue personnel and other agencies.

The U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute team and the Flying Circus were among the several aerial demonstrations that were performed. A CAP aircraft was one of the 17 static airplanes that were on display. A CAP display was placed beside the aircraft stocked with recruiting information and pictures.

The newly formed Northern Virginia Honor Guard also held several performances. After each performance the Honor Guard cadets would answer questions about the CAP and the Honor Guard.

More than 1,300 school children came from 15 jurisdictions all over the northern Virginia area. This was the fourth and largest event of its kind since the program was started in

Virginia — Virginia cadets gathered at Virginia Wing headquarters at Chesterfield Airport in Richmond recently to complete in the Cadet Speak Off. There are three categories in which to compete, basic, advanced and impromptu.

The basic is a 3- to 5-minute speech and can be entered as many times as a cadet wants until the cadet has won two firstplace trophies at wing or region level or has turned 17 before the Middle East Region Conference competition.

The speeches for the advanced category should be five to 7 minutes long. There is no age limit on this category.

The impromptu speech is the shortest all three. It should last 2 to 21/2 minutes. There is no age limit on this category either.

Cadet MSgt. Brooke Elliot from Langley Composite Squadron won the basic category with her speech about the Virginia Vanguard.

**Burke Composite Squadron** Cadet Col. Steve Leutner won the advanced category with a speech about the U.S. Air Force Academy.

2Lt. Ronnie McMaster, from the Leesburg Composite Squadron, won the impromptu category with a speech about leadership.

### Southeast Region

Puerto Rico - In a short ceremony held here June 3 Cadet Lt. Col. Yusef Saad became the first cadet in the Puerto Rico Wing to receive a Col. Clara E. Livingston Scholar-

Saad has distinguished himself during his CAP career and has received numerous awards and recognitions, including the Meritorious Service Medal, two Commander's Commendation Medals, the

Amelia Earhart Award, the Red Service Ribbon with a bronze triangular clasp, the Disaster Relief and the Search and Rescue Ribbon. He has attended the Pathfinder School and COS 92, and he is scheduled to participate in IACE 95. He was selected as Wing Cadet of the Year for 1994. He has served as type "B" cadet encampment commander in 1993 and cadet squadron commander from August 1993 to May 1994.

Saad is currently enrolled as a freshman in the Politechnic University of Puerto Rico, where he is majoring in mechanical engineering. He is also a member of Air Force ROTC Detachment 755 at the University of Puerto Rico in Rio Piedras. He was enrolled in the Arnold Air Society and has received three Military Order of the World Wars, ROTC Medal of Merit and the Retired Officer's Association TROA ROTC Medal.

This scholarship was established by the late Col. Clara Livingston, former Puerto Rico wing commander. Livingston was the first female wing commander in Puerto Rico.

The scholarship is for all cadets of the **Puerto Rico Wing**. In order to obtain the scholarship the cadet must selected by a board.

Puerto Rico — Cadets from the Col. Clara E. Livingston Cadet Squadron participated in Armed Forces Day ceremonies



July
2-4 Battle Creek, Mich.
8 Grand Forks AFB, N.D.
9 Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
15-16 Springfield, Ill.
22-23 NAS Brunswick, Maine
26 Cheyenne, Wyo.
29-30 Scott AFB, Ill.

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August 5-6 Chicago 19-20 Bozeman, Mont. 26-27 Frederick, Md.

September 3-4 Offutt AFB, Neb. 9-10 Toledo, Ohio 16-17 Roswell, N.M. 23-24 Liberal, Kan. 30 Salinas, Calif. May 20. Each year, Fort
Buchanan Command Group
invites the squadron to participate in the various activities held
during the Armed Forces Day
Celebration.

For the second year in a row, cadets from Col. Clara E.
Livingston Squadron won award to the Best Marching Unit-Medium Category. Livingston drill team members competed with drill teams from the battalions of Army Jr. ROTC and other drill teams from various high school military academies. The Livingston cadets won second place in the unarmed category in which 10 teams participated.

The squadron also participated along with the Air Force ROTC Squadron from the University of Puerto Rico in a flag retreat ceremony held in Fort Buchanans Command Group Headquarters.

Col. Clara E. Livingston Squadron also manned an



Cadets from the Col. Clara E. Livingston Cadet Squadron in Puerto Rico perform a drill demonstration during a recent Armed Forces Day celebration at Fort Buchanan, P.R.

information and recruiting booth to inform the Fort Buchanan community about the squadron activities and to provide the opportunity for youths to join the CAP. The Cadets' Parents Association sold food and sodas throughout the activities to raise funds.

The squadron now has more than 20 years in Fort Buchanan. At present, it is the only CAP squadron in Puerto Rico to be installed permanently on a U.S. military base.

Alabama — The Hayes family of Texas showed appreciation to the Alabama Wing by sponsoring a barbecue at the Gadsden Airport from which a 23-day mission occurred in search of their loved one, John. More than 200 search and rescue individuals shared the event with family members and friends.

logged 30 hours of search.
Members of the Hayes family stayed close and informed of every action being taken to find Hayes.

After 23 days into the mission, the AFRCC suspended the search until such time as the terrain could be more visible. The foliage was dense making visual search very difficult and



The Hayes family poses for a picture with the Alabama Wing members who were involved in an extensive search for John Hayes. The Rough River, Ky., pilot was later found dead at the crash site.

Hayes and Jack Fahling were enroute from Rough River, Ky., to Tampa, Fla., in their home-built experimental Long-EZ aircrafts when they encountered storm conditions around the north-central section of Alabama. Their scheduled fuel stop was to be in LaGrange, Ga.; however, Fahling landed at the Gadsden Airport due to the weather, but Mr. Hayes failed to show at either location. Radio contact between the pilots was lost shortly before Fahling landed at Gadsden so this became the most logical location to set up the mission base.

Weather hampered the initial search yet CAP members took advantage of every safe moment to put a sortie or ground team into action. Overall, 1,224 personnel assisted in the mission with 902.9 flight hours logged by 199 aircraft with 571.9 hours in a search area.

Georgia Wing and Tennessee Wing were brought into the search since the area of possibility was close to their borders as well. Helicopters from the Alabama State Police, Wallace State College and the Alabama National Guard stationed in Birmingham, flew 22 sorties and there was no ELT signal to follow. All members were showing signs of wear but their dedication and optimism kept them pushing forward to locate their target.

Four months later two youths ventured down into a thickly wooded ravine which had a visibility factor of only 10 feet from ground level. Here they came upon the remains of Haves

Relief and sorrow was the final outcome. The family was able to put to rest their unknowing and the search and rescue members were able to close their mission books.

Mrs. Hayes and other family members flew back to the site of the mission to give thanks to the many individuals who participated in this mission. The next morning a memorial service was held in private by the family and a marker was placed at the site where Mr. Hayes was found.

It was a time of emotions and bonding between family members, friends and rescue volunteers. Prior to this unfortunate event, the Hayes family did not know of CAP and its missions, but when a family member asked a CAP volunteer, "What drives you to keep so dedicated, spending numerous hours of personal time and money to do what you do?" — the answer was, "Because we care about people."

Florida —The Marco Island Senior Squadron received four statewide awards at the annual CAP Florida Wing Conference recently held at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza Hotel, Tampa.

The Florida Wing commanding officer, Col. George Pringle, presented the Outstanding Senior Squadron Award to Lt. Col. Fritz Schaller, commander of the Marco Island CAP Squadron. This is the first time since it was established in 1982 that the Marco squadron has been so honored.

Schaller said, "We are extremely proud to have been designated as the most outstanding squadron among the 55 senior squadrons in Florida."

Pringle then announced that Capt. S. Buddy Harris was selected as the Outstanding Public Affairs Officer of the Year.

This award was immediately followed by the announcement that the Marco Island Senior Squadron was selected as having the outstanding squadron newsletter in the state of Florida. This eight-page paper is published monthly by Harris and 2Lt. Helga Wilkins.

Finally, Schaller was awarded the Outstanding Mission Controller Award. A mission controller has full responsibility for directing a search and rescue mission and is a highly trained emergency service technician.

Pringle personally congratulated all of the Marco squadron members who attended the conference and assured them that "this is the first time any squadron has ever received so many awards in a single year. Marco Island's accomplishments are truly outstanding and serve as an example to all other squadrons."

Tennessee — Lt. Col.
William K. Lord, director of
safety for the Southeast Region
was a speaker at the annual
convention of the National
Association for Search and
Rescue held in Nashville May
28-31.

Lord presented a seminar titled: "Implementing a Field Safety Program-CAP Model."

Lord discussed the excellent safety record of CAP and how the program is designed. He answered questions from theaudience about how to set up a safety program in their field of rescue.

The four-day conference attracts 600 to 800 members each year. The convention offers seminars and workshops in management; urban, water, canine, and technical SAR; and other topics of interest to rescuers. The NASAR membership is comprised of both volunteers and paid professionals.

### Southwest Region

Texas — David Christopher Backus, a recent graduate from Coppell High School, received an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy. He left to enter the Academy June 29.

Backus has three weeks of cadet orientation then three weeks of field training in Jack's Valley before his academics begin on August 10. Going to the academy has been a longtime dream of his. He has focused his curricular and extracurricular activities toward achieving this goal.

Anyone who knows him is well aware of his dedication to this endeavor. Chris has also received an appointment to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy along with several other local and military scholarships totaling more than \$550,000. He plans to major in either military or international law, making the



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military his career.

In ĆAP, Backus has been cadet commander for the Denton Fighter Composite Squadron where he attained his Amelia Earhart award.

Chris is also an Eagle Scout and junior assistant scoutmaster from Troop 841 in Coppell where he excelled to achieve the silver palm. He is the son of Kenny and Rita Backus of Coppell.

Arkansas — Marc Bailey of Twin Lakes Composite Squadron, Arkansas Wing, has been appointed a member of the Class

of 1999 at the United States Military Academy at West Point.

West Point.

Bailey
has been a
member of
the unit for
the past four



Marc Bailey

years and was serving as cadet commander when he received his appointment to the service school. He was also nominated for the Air Force Academy and was named an alternate for the Coast Guard Academy. In addition to his West Point selection.

Bailey was awarded a fouryear Air Force ROTC scholarship.

While attending Flippin High School he was consistently on the honor roll and was very active in extra curricular activities.

Arizona — The Tucson Composite Squadron 109 celebrated its first year with an Anniversary and Awards Banquet May 13 at the Enlisted Club at Davis-Monthan AFB.

Speaker for the evening was Col. Paul Harrow Jr., USAF, Ret., director of the Pima Air and Space Museum in Tucson. Harrow spoke of his hope that the squadron and the Air Museum would work closely in the future, and he told of his recent work to acquire a B-377 "Super Guppy" on loan from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Among the awards presented were:

Cadet of the Year - Cadet
A1C Michelle Foster, CAP
Honor Cadet of the Training
Cycle - Cadet AiC Joshua
Propp, CAP Senior Member of
the Year - 1Lt. Edward M.
Seright Jr., CAP Most Missions Maj. Michele Briggs, CAP
Commander's Commendation Cadet Lt. Col. Jason Bousquet.

The squadron color guard, consisting of Cadet A1C Michelle Foster, Cadet A1C. Teresa Storch, Cadet A1C Joshua Propp and Cadet A1C Edward M. Seright III posted and retired the colors.

Arizona — The Tucson
Composite Squadron has gone
to the dogs ... dog shows that is.
With the help of Capt. Ski
Croghan, herself a trainer of
pedigreed chihuahuas, the
squadron received invitations to
work at several local dog shows.

Each show brought approximately \$350 or the squadron.

Cadets and seniors worked side by side setting up the show rings, acting as runners for the show's judges, and working the infamous "pooper scooper" patrols. One squadron member worked as a dispatcher and announcer for the event.

Arizona — Ten cadets and more than a dozen seniors recently participated in a two-day squadron-run search and rescue field training exercise.

On the first day, cadets were dispatched from the squadron building on Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz., as if an actual mission had been announced.

The two teams received simulated SARSAT coordinates and hit the road in search of their target

The signal was strongly acquired near the Molino Basin campgrounds on Mount Lemon, near Tucson. The teams left the vans and set out on foot. They found the ELT and numerous "victims" who were sent out beforehand.

After that the group received instruction on victim extrication, pulley haul systems and many other useful skills.

"We all liked the night time activity — a special version of "Capture the Flag," said Cadet 1Lt. Javin Arbore.

On Sunday the group participated in another practice search with more "victims."

Arizona — A color guard from the Tucson Composite Squadron 109 posted and retired the colors at a recent quarterly awards presentation for the Arizona Air National Guard.

The Ceremonies were held at the Air Guard Base in Tucson.

Members of the color guard were: Cadet A1C Michelle Foster; Cadet A1C Teresa Storch; Cadet AIC Joshua Propp; and Cadet AIC Edward M. Seright III.

Arizona — Cadet Lt. Col Jason L. Bousquet, cadet commander of Tucson Composite Squadron 109, has been selected as encampment commander for the 1995 Arizona Wing Cadet Summer Encampment, set to run from June 17-25 at Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.

Bousquet is a seven-year member of CAP. He is a junior majoring in Atmospheric Sciences at the University of Arizona and hopes to become an Air Force weather officer.

Oklahoma — Flying Castle Squadron members Cadet Lt. Col. Chris Pundsack and Cadet Capt. Kevin Cossairt have both had exciting trips this summer to Kirtland AFB, N.M., near Albuquerque. Both were selected to attend the Pararescue Junior Orientation Course.

The two competed with other cadets from across the nation for two of only 19 slots available in the course.

Pundsack attended the basic PJOC last summer. This year he

attended the advanced course. As the senior ranking cadet, he served as the cadet commander and was responsible for the 18 other cadets in attendance.

"Advanced PJOC was awesome, extremely challenging and exciting," stated the cadet.

Pundsack is a junior at Carl Albert High School in Midwest City, Okla. He has been a member of CAP for 2½ years and earned the Gen. Billy Mitchell Award, Amelia Earhart Award and the 1995 Air Force Association Cadet of the Year Award.

Cossairt is a junior at
Westmoore High School in
Moore, Okla. He has been a
CAP member for three years and
earned the Gen. Billy Mitchell
Award, Amelia Earhart Award
and Commander's Commendation Award.

Oklahoma — Oklahoma Wing members participated in an initial C-130 orientation flight courtesy of the Oklahoma Air National Guard.

The project officer for this program between CAP and the Guard is Maj. Dave Ruppel, of the Edmond Composite Squadron. "Our mission is to provide aerospace education for CAP members and this flight accomplished just that," said Ruppel.

Ten senior and cadet members from Flying Castle Composite Squadron were on the first flight aboard the C-130 Hercules cargo airplane.

### Pacific Region

Nevada — When Lt. Col.
Rezh Mohamed II of the Nevada
Wing eased his aircraft to the
runway surface March 19, it
marked his completion of 100
counterdrug missions flown in



Lt. Col. Rezh Mohamed II

support of our nation's war on drugs.

In completing his 100th mission, Mohamed likened it to his earlier experience of having completed 100 missions over North Vietnam in an F-105 Thunderchief during the Southeast Asia war. He said while there was no champagne, flower lei, cheering crew chiefs and fellow pilots or even a ride on an elephant that was sometimes arranged, the familiar feeling of achievement and pride was

### Solo flight



Sharon Fitzgerald, Beach Cities Cadet Squadron 107, smiles proudly after completing a solo flight for her aircraft license on her 16th birthday. The California native, who received her glider license at 14, has a 4.5 grade point average and hopes to attend the U.S. Air Force Academy when she graduates. Col. Stephen Aller (AF Res.), California Liaison Office, was there to congratulate her.

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Mohamed was referring to the lively ceremonies held on the flightline ramps in both Korat and Tahkli, Thailand, when a fighter pilot successfully returned from his 100th mission over North Vietnam.

During his 100 missions flown over North Vietnam from 1963 to 1968, he was credited with destroying 16 single and multispanned bridges, seven antiaircraft sites, two surface-to-air missile sites, one PI-76 armored personnel carrier, one coastal steamship, numerous trucks, structures, roads and fuel storage facilities.

Mohamed flew both as a "strike pilot" and a "Wild Weasel" and is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Fighter Weapons School at Nellis AFB, Nev.

In addition to being a U.S. Air Force command pilot, the colonel is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Special Warfare School

and has four combat parachute jumps to his credit with the 5th Special Forces. He was also awarded the U.S. Air Force Parachute Badge with Bronze Star denoting his combat jumps, and the Vietnamese Parachute Badge with gold star for having also made combat parachute jumps with the famous Vietnamese Rangers.

Among his many decorations are the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal with 10 oak leaf

clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal with one OLC, the Vietnam Service Medal with four bronze stars, the Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with six bronze stars.

The colonel has been flying counterdrug missions for the Nevada Wing in support to the U.S. Customs Service, the Drug Enforcement Administration, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms and other law enforce-

ment agencies since 1988.

Besides serving as the executive officer and chief of staff for the Nevada Wing, Mohamed is currently the wing's chief check pilot (south) and counterdrug officer.

Mohamed has a CAP Bronze
Medal of Valor pending for
assisting the ATF in saving Elko,
Nev., from an imminent disaster
— a cache of extremely sensitive
high explosives hidden in a van
parked near the city's center.

California —Some members of Jon E. Kramer Composite
Squadron 10 were guests aboard the USS Carl Vinson (CVN-70) Nimitz class aircraft carrier for the Family Day Cruise

The ship departed Navak Air Station in Alameda, Calif., and sailed out 30 miles, where launches, approaches, and flight demonstrations were demonstrated. The guests also were treated to a tour of the ship. One of the highlights was the Carrier Air Traffic Control Center. Crew members were cordial, energetic, and proud of their jobs on the ship.

Squadron 10 guests thanked Lt. Anthony Cooper, U.S. Navy, for his sponsorship.

Alaska — Alaska Wing senior program assistant Capt. Shella Westfall and her family were honored by the Alaska State Snowmobile Association as the 1995 Alaska Snowmobile Family of the Year.

Westfall, who has completed Level IV training, her husband, Joe, and daughters were honored for establishing a network of six wintertime rescue and recovery organizations and personally assisting in a number of searches for missing snow mobile operators.

The citation stated: "The Westfalls' commitment to safety, prevention, and to search, rescue, and recovery efforts is noteworthy and warrants their selection as the Snowmobile Family of the Year."

Washington — Fire Mountain Squadron Cadet Capt.

### Coast to Coast

Todd Benson got a double bonus recently. He was appointed to the class of 1999 at the U.S. Air Force Academy and passed his Earhart exam to become a cadet captain.

Benson will report to the academy for basic cadet training on June 28.

"This has been a long awaited honor for me," said Benson, who applied for the appointment in 1993 and 1994. "I just wouldn't give up."

Benson is in his second year at the University of Washington, where he's enrolled in Air Force ROTC. He also received a nomination from CAP to the U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School.

Benson is the fourth cadet from Fire Mountain Squadron to be appointed to the Air Force Academy. Others include Aaron Watson, Daniel Wilcox and Marika Barto. Other Fire Mountain graduates appointed to military academies include Ryan Rothmeyer, who is at West Point, and Thomas Talley who graduated from Virginia Military Institute.

### Rocky Mountain Region

Idaho — The Coeur d'Alene Composite Squadron held a cadet open house in May.

More than 42 cadet prospects attended the cadet-managed event that provided information and lectures.

Open house highlights included an ELT and rocketry demonstration, survival and search-and-rescue equipment displays, and a C-182 hands-on instrument panel review.

The open house was directed by Cadet Maj. Nathan Gallahan, Flight Officer Marty Becktell, and TSgts. Kent Fischer and Sarah Bowerman.

### North Central Region

Nebraska — Thirty-five cadets from Norfolk and Omaha recently assisted the Nebraska National Guard with the annual D.A.R.E. program field day/open house at Camp Ashland.

Cadets provided crowd control for static and dynamic displays. The open house featured armored assault demonstrations and displays air search and rescue displays, and numerous law enforcement demonstrations.

Cadets maintained perimeter patrol of the Army National Guard Camp along the Platte River, which was flooding and threatened participants. Other highlights included free lunches provided by the guard and a motivational speech by one of the University of Nebraska's leading baskethall stars.

Nebraska —CAP cadets from Omaha and Fremont, working with AFJROTC cadets, provided assistance for the annual Strategic Air Command Museum Open House in Omaha, Neb.

The SAC Museum is unique in that it has 33 military aircraft,

helicopters, and missiles that belonged to SAC during its glorious history. Aircraft such as a B-17, B-25, B-26, B-36, B-45, B-47, B-50, B-52, B-57, B-58, FB-111, SR-71 Blackbird, U-2, an EC-135C "Looking Glass" ABNCPs Avro Vulcan, and a Mig-21.

The museum is a popular gathering place for CAP members attending wing and region conferences and encampments in the Omaha area.

Nebraska —Members from across Nebraska participated in a multi-state search for a Piper Cherokee PA-28 with two adults and two children aboard. The departed from Alliance, Neb., on the night of May 29, returning home to Meadow Lake, Colo. The flight originated earlier from Linton, N.D.

The Nebraska Wing was called in to participate with its adjoining wing on the morning of May 31. A forward operating base was set up at the Alliance Airport.

Vice wing commander Lt. Col. Jon Rooney managed the operating base. Mission coordinator Lt. Col. William Burton along other key staff members maintained a primary mission base in Lincoln, Neb., home of it's wing headquarters. Aircrews and ground teams came from squadrons throughout the state.

The mission concluded on the evening of May 31 when an aircrew from Colorado Wing located the wreckage in northeastern Colorado. There were no survivors.

Missouri — As the tone of the missile arming signal squeals shrilly, range officer William E. Sander begins the countdown. In a short burst, one rocket after another leaps into the air at Whiteman AFB, Knob Noster, Miss. Within 20 minutes, 19 model rockets were launched from the pads.

The launching culminated a one-day symposium hosted by the Sedalia Cadet Squadron.

1Lt. Bill Sander served as the symposium administrator.

Students and instructors came from Sedalia Cadet Squadron, Heart of Missouri Composite Squadron (Moberly), Lee's Summit Composite Squadron, and Vanguard Composite Squadron (Warrensburg).

Additional staff members from the Missouri Wing and North Central Region also assisted.

Nineteen students participated in this one day introduction to rockets. Their course work covered the Lii story of rockets and information about the father of modern rocketry, Robert H. Goddard. They learned about the CAP rocketry program requirements, safety codes, rocket dynamics and built their first rocket.

Prizes and awards were given for students and cadet instructors. Winners included: Cadet Capt. Aaron Colgrove, Lee's Summit, chosen as Outstanding Cadet Instructor; A1C Derek Meisner, Sedalia, received the Director's Recognition Award; Cadet Basic Kevin Hemme.

Sedalia, received the Distinguished Cadet Academic Award; and SSgt. Doug Inlow, Moberly, garnered the Dr. Robert H. Goddard Distinguished Rocketry Graduate honors with a 98 percent cumulative score.

Whiteman, America's home of the B-2 bomber, seemed a fitting location for rocket instruction due to its past involvement in the Minuteman program. From 1961 through the 1990s, the 351st Strategic Missile Wing controlled the Minuteman I and II intercontinental ballistic missiles.

### Great Lakes Region

Ohio —The 405th Black River Senior Squadron has been selected as the Squadron of the Year for Group IV of the Ohio Wing.

The plaque and trophy for this award was accepted by Squadron Commander Capt. George S. Osman at the annual Group IV banquet held March 18 at the Holiday Inn in Elyria, Ohio.

The award was presented by Lt. Col. Paul Elliott, Group IV director of operations and master of ceremonies. Special guest at the banquet was Lt. Col. Larence Jamison, USAF Ret., one of the original Tuskeegee airmen.

Ohio — Members of Cushite Composite Squadron 407 attended Vice President Al Gore's Conference on Crime in Cleveland June 9.

Five cadets accompanied Squadron Commander 1st Lt. Joseph J. Mixtger Jr. and Chaplain (Capt.) J. Delano Ellis II to the conference.

During question and answer time, Cadet Amn. Louis Thaxton, asked Vice President Gore: "Mr. vice president, since you're here sharing with us the need for clearing up juvenile crime, can you please tell us why Congress is attempting to vote CAP out of the federal budget, especially since everyone claims to be so interested in youth programs. If the government continues to take away meaningful programs such as CAP from young people, what are we expected to do?'

When Thaxton completed his question, he received a roaring ovation and the vice president was obviously stumped. He looked to the congressman and the congressman looked to the mayor and neither of the three could answer Thaxton.

At the end of the conference, the news media did a very positive interview on the vice president's visit and an interview with Thaxton.

Ohio — Eight teams of cadets from Group IV, Ohio Wing, competed June 2-4 in Initiative USA, a problem-solving competition at Punderson State Park in Newbury, Ohio.

Ashtabula County Squadron 400 took first place with 777 points out of a possible 900 points; Parma Composite Squadron 403, placed second with 770 points; and Eagle Composite Squadron 410, Eastlake, finished a strong third with 767 points.

A total of 62 cadets and 17 senior members participated in the nine event problem solving competition, which evaluated the teamwork, leadership, logic and problem solving abilities of the teams.

There were teams representing Cleveland, Ashtabula County and Parma, with senior members and cadets from all over the northern Ohio who participated ago.

The concept was transformed into a weekend event to create competition among cadets and to encourage training and discipline. He said it helped pass the time to have the cadets solve problems as they marched along their route.

For many years now the CAP has sent teams to Canada to compete with Royal Canadian Air cadets.

This is the first Initiative USA.



Group IV cadets participating in Initiative USA were from left, Sgt. Chris Sommer, Amn. Chuck Lahti, Amn. Joe Stills, Sgt. Chris Moisio, A1C Andy Miller, Sgt. Matt Hall, and Michael French. The problem-solving competition was held at Punderson State Park in Newbury, Ohio.

as judges and staff.

Initiative USA was not just a grueling, rain-soaked day of problem solving for the teams. They were also judged on the neatness of camp sites, professionalism, and the meals they prepared.

The winning team was presented a traveling trophy, which will go from winner to winner each year, a plaque to keep and a first-place ribbon.

The "initiative" concept is the brainchild of Col. Roger Middleton, cadet program officer, Group IV, Ohio Wing of the CAP. Middleton was a member of the Royal Canadian Air Cadets, where he devised this concept nearly a decade

and the enthusiasm by all participants indicates it won't be the last.

Illinois — Cadet Lt. Col.
Jeremy Learned, Franklin
County Composite Squadron
received a letter of appointment
to attend the U.S. Air Force
Academy in Colorado Springs,
Colo., starting June 29.

Jeremy, the son of Don and Phyllis Learned, received his notice March 23. In November 1994, he received a nomination letter from Cong. Glen Poshard. The official appointment was presented May 19 by U.S. Air Force liason officer Col. Bracey during Learned's high school graduation.

### Congressional recognition



Congressman Ken Calvert, 43rd Congressional District - California, shakes the hand of Col. Angelo Porco, California Wing commander, after accepting his CAP honorary membership plaque in a recent ceremony. Congressman Calvert was also accepted honorary membership in the Corona Squadron 29, Corona, Calif. According to squadron officials, the congressman was very appreciative of the honor and pledged his support for CAP programs.

### Coast to Coast

Learned has been associated with CAP since April 1992.

During his time he has received several awards, including the Billy Mitchell Award and the Amelia Earhart Award. He is currently waiting to test for the Carl Spaatz Award. Upon completion of this test and award, he will be promoted to the rank of cadet colonel, the highest accomplishment a youth can receive.

Other accomplishments include several encampments and attendance at the Illinois Wing flight encampment in Matton, III., in June 1994.

At Christopher High School, Learned was very active in academic and sporting activities. He was involved in the math club, national honor society, and school newspaper. He participated in the Scholar Bowl, which included the televised School IQ in the local area.

Sports participation included football and track and maintained a grade point average of 4.90+ and is very pleased with his accomplishments and appoint-

Illinois - The call came in from the Champaign County

Coordinator, Bill Keller, late in the afternoon for victims in a disaster drill. The drill was scheduled for the following Sunday. A previously arranged group of 25 cancelled out.

Maj. Paula Kesler called Group 9, Illinois Wing, Administrative Officer, 2Lt. Debbie Tolladay, to run the tree (phone roster) to request victims from group squadrons. She also contacted Illinois Wing Headquarters for authorization.

The list of activity participants were: Champaign County Composite Squadron - Maj. Paula Kesler; Springfield Composite Squadron -Technical Flight Officer Layne Anderson; Decatur Composite Squadron -Second Lieutenant Carie Coon, Cadet First Lieutenant Lisa Brown, Cadet Master Sergeant Kevin Dean, Cadet Staff Sergeants David Carnahan, Mike Seward, Justin Williams, Cadet Airman First Class Casey Harlin, Cadet Airmen Daniel Harper, Charles Meixner, Corey Ray, Robert Ray, and Greg Seward. Elizabeth Christison assisted in transporting Decatur personnel.

With this drill, the Champagne County Composite

Squadron helped the various emergency services prepare for an actual emergency. We learn to become better rescuers by seeing the victim's view of a disaster.



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### Congressional recognition



Maj. Carl Trubee, Wichitaw Falls Composite Squadron, shakes the hand of Rep. Mac Thornberry (R-TX) during Memorial Day services at Crestview Memorial Cemetery in Wichitaw Falls, Texas. Looking on is Lt. Col. E.A. King (U.S. Navy retired), congressional liaison officer for north Texas. Representative Thornberry was the American Legion's guest speaker for the service. CAP members helped place flags on the graves of deceased veterans.

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